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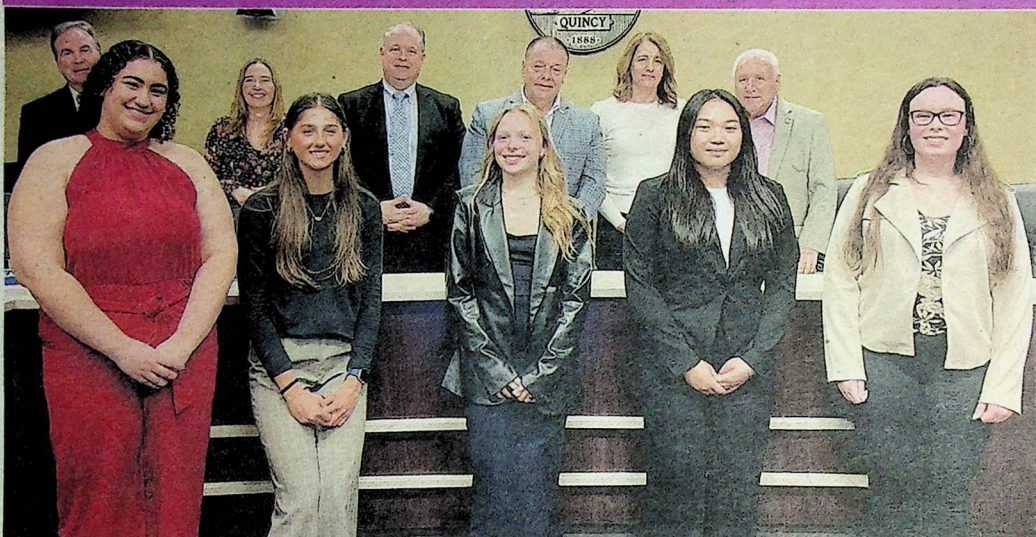
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KIMI VALLEE (front row, center) was honored as the school district's Outstanding Vocational Technical Student of the Year during the March 6 meeting of the School Committee. Vallee is a fashion technology major at Quincy High School and plans to further her studies in Paris after graduation. Joining her in front are the four other finalists for the award (from left): Katherine Ramos, Kaitlyn Sampson, Tina Cao and Isabelle Hogan.

Quincy Sun Photo/Scott Jackson

Kimi Vallee Outstanding Tech Student Of The Year

By SCOTT JACKSON

A senior at Quincy High School who will go to Paris after graduation to continue studying fashion, Kimi

Vallee has been named the school district's Outstanding Vocational Technical Student of the Year.

Vallee was honored as

the Outstanding Vocational Technical Student of the Year during the March 6 meeting of the School Committee. The other four final-

ists for the award, including seniors from both high schools, were recognized that evening as well.

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FASHION TECHNOLOGY MAJOR Kimi Vallee (third from left) with students Kathy Duong, Celia Cronin, Brianna Keddy, Victor Pereira and Bella Lutz who modeled designs created by Vallee that were featured at the 2023 Quincy High School Fashion Show. Vallee was recently honored at the Quincy Public School's Outstanding Vocational Technical Student of the Year.

Quincy Sun File Photo/Robert Bosworth

Statue To Honor Massachusetts Tribe

By SCOTT JACKSON

As part of the Quincy 400 initiative, the city will work with the Massachusetts Tribe to dedicate a new statue in honor of the Three Sisters.

The city has released a request for proposals for the new statue, and responses are due back on March 28. The statue would honor the legendary Three Sisters, the women who brought beans, corn and squash to the Mas-

sachusetts Tribe.

In a recent interview, Mayor Thomas Koch said the city is working with the Massachusetts Tribe on the new statue and hopes to have it dedicated sometime next year as part of the Quincy 400 program.

"As part of our partnership with Ponkapoag Band of the Massachusetts Tribe, we've been in talks for a few years now. In recognition of

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Keenan Wary Of More Online Gambling

By SCOTT JACKSON

One year after online sports betting became legal in Massachusetts, Sen. John Keenan said he is concerned about the possibility of expanding online gaming to include casino games and the state lottery.

In-person sports betting became legal in the Bay State at the end of January

2023 and online sportsbooks began operating in March 2023. As of this February, the state had collected more than \$108 million in taxes on sports betting – the vast majority of it from online sportsbooks – nearly twice the \$60 million in revenue that been predicted.

Keenan, a Quincy Dem-

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Natural Resources To Form Invasive Species Control Committee

Commissioner of Natural Resources Dave Murphy announced that the Department of Natural Resources will be soliciting volunteers to participate on an Invasive Species Control Committee this Spring. The committee will be tasked with conducting a public education campaign regarding invasive species and helping oversee a few projects on public

property to remove and control invasive species.

The commitment will entail a few committee meetings, a few community cleanups, and internal planning discussions. Interested residents can send an email to dmurphy@quincyma.gov. There is limited space available and those not appointed to the formal com-

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Taylor Esser's Career Change From Finance To Business Owner

Buys 40-Year Business The Ink Spot & Opening Minuteman Press Franchise In Quincy

In August of 2023, Taylor Esser realized her dream of owning her own business. That is when she completed the purchase of 40-year printing business The Ink Spot, which is now operating as the Minuteman Press franchise in Quincy.

The full-service design, marketing, and printing center remains located at 40 Oval Road #1, Quincy.

Since buying the business, Esser has certainly hit the ground running with Minuteman Press in Quincy. She talks about changing careers, buying the business, growing sales, and what life has been like since betting on herself and taking that leap of faith with the support of Minuteman Press.

Esser shares her background before franchising, saying, "I spent my entire career in finance prior to Minuteman Press. First, I obtained my bachelor's degree in business administration from UMass, and became licensed in trading stocks. For the past 15 years, I was working in retail wealth management. I absolutely loved my career, but I still had a boss. I needed more independence and

was ready for a change."

What made her want to be her own boss?

"I've actually wanted to be a business owner for years," Esser said. "Working in finance was great but I was still being told to do things a certain way and I just felt like I needed to try and realize my own dream instead of working for others. As a single mom with a mortgage, I didn't have the time to start a new business on my own. I then read a book about entrepreneurship by acquisition and realized that buying an established business was the way to go for me."

For Esser, buying an established business and joining Minuteman Press was the right opportunity at the right time.

"When I was researching various business models, I knew I needed to have a business that was Monday-Friday with 9-5 hours for my daughter and my own sanity," she said. "I was looking at the different businesses for sale and came across The Ink Spot / Minuteman Press on one of the websites. This business was well-established with



OWNER TAYLOR ESSER (right) with Production Manager Frank Crompton (left) at Minuteman Press in Quincy.

customers already lined up including big clients like nationally-recognized non-profit organizations, law schools and universities. The price was right and I felt this checked off all of

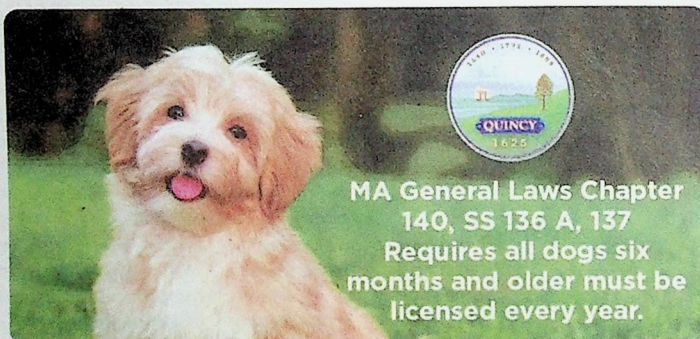
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THE TEAM at Minuteman Press franchise, Quincy: from left to right Jennifer Moore, graphic designer; Scott Fitzgerald, graphic designer; Taylor Esser, owner; Alfredo Flores, press operator; Frank Crompton, production manager; and Sarah Tolland, account executive.

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Thomas Crane Public Library To Host Series Of Drop-In Solar Viewing Events

The Thomas Crane Public Library invites community members to drop-in solar viewing events at multiple branch locations this month.

Attendees will have the opportunity to use the library's solar telescope and

sunoculars to look for sunspots and view the movement of the sun and moon.

When and where:

- Wednesday, March 20 from 3-4:30 p.m. on the front Lawn at the main library, 40 Washington St.
- Saturday, March 23 from 3-4:30 p.m. on the front lawn at the main library, 40 Washington St.

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- Tuesday, March 26 from 3-4:30 p.m. at Adams Shore Library, 519 Sea St.
- Thursday, March 28 from 3-4:30 p.m. at Wollaston Library, 41 Beale St.
- Saturday, March 30 from 3-4:30 p.m. at North Quincy Library, 381 Hancock St.

The event series is for all ages and is weather-dependent. No registration is required.

Eclipse viewing glasses will also be available. To learn more about the upcoming solar eclipse on April 8, visit science.nasa.gov/eclipses.

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Board OKs Six Licenses

By SCOTT JACKSON
During its most recent meeting, the Board of License Commissioners approved six requests.

The licenses were all approved during the board's meeting on the afternoon of March 12.

Those items include:
The request of Interfaith Social Services for a special-use permit for the 50th anniversary Stop the Stigma 5K, which will be held on Saturday, April 27, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The race begins and ends at the Kennedy Center. Interfaith's executive director, Rick D'ane, said 700 runners participated in last year's race and this year's could draw up to 800. The event raises funds for Interfaith's New Directions Counseling Center.

The request of Granite Chin Promotions for a special-use permit and one-day liquor license for a professional boxing event that will take place on Saturday, May 11, from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Quincy Youth Arena on Murphy Memorial Drive. Christopher Traietta said the event would benefit Quincy Youth Hockey.

The request of Frozen Freddie's for a common victualler license for the premises at 435 Washington St. following a change in ownership. Stephanie Kozlowski

and Julie McKeon will be the new managers of the ice cream shop. Kozlowski said the former owner of the store decided to sell it after 30 years in business. No changes in operation are planned.

The request of Quincy Hungry Tummy for a cabaret license for the premises at 35 Franklin St. Grimarkson Bitencourt said most of the restaurant's business is through take out or delivery, and the cabaret license could help boost in-person dining. He said the restaurant could host karaoke or a guitar player.

The request of Hot Pot One for a cabaret license for the premises at 7 Billings Rd. The license will allow the restaurant to have karaoke for employees.

The request of Drew Auto Sales Inc. for a motor vehicle license for the premises at 519 Quincy Ave., formerly home to Finest Auto. The business will be open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week. Andrew Kawooya said he plans to have about 35 cars on the lot at any given time.

In other business, the board voted to reinstate the \$35 license fee for taxis and other vehicles for hire. Each license is good for two years from the date it is issued.

Registry Of Deeds Marks Women's History Month

Quincy Access Television recently aired the segment Norfolk County Registry of Deeds Recognition of Women's History Month to celebrate the contributions women have made in our communities, in our lives in our county, and in our country.

"Women's History Month is observed in March to recognize the impact and importance of women in our society," said Norfolk County Register of Deeds William O'Donnell. "We should all be aware of the importance of women in society, in shaping the country we all live in, and in our history."

Each year, the National Women's History Alliance selects and publishes the yearly theme. This year the theme is "Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to Be Silenced."

The women featured in the recently aired Women's History Month segment exemplify this theme, by showing extreme bravery, refusing to remain silent, and using their voice to advocate for change and equality.

To watch the segment Norfolk County Registry of Deeds Recognition of Women's History Month visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch/4clCpNwxz4M>.

'Remember The Ladies' Event Honors Five Quincy Women



FIVE REMARKABLE Quincy women were honored by Mayor Thomas Koch at recent ceremony and afternoon tea held at the Quincy High School Auditorium. The five women were celebrated for their accomplishments in the fields of arts and culture, non-profit, health and wellness, education and public service. The "Remember The Ladies" event was held in recognition of Women's History Month and also celebrated the legacy of Abigail Adams. Here Mayor Koch joins the 2024 Remember the Ladies Honorees (from left to right) Linda Santoro (Quincy Art Association), South West Middle School Principal Courtney Mitchell, former Quincy School Committee Member and Assistant District Attorney Barbara Isola, Bay State Community Services CEO Daurice Cox and Caryn's Corner business owner Caryn Smith.

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Moments in time

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• On April 1, 1998, a federal judge in Little Rock, Arkansas, dismissed a sexual harassment case against President Bill Clinton, stating it had no "genuine issues" worthy of a trial. Although Clinton had denied any wrongdoing, a unanimous ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court in May 1997 allowed the case to proceed, establishing a precedent permitting sitting presidents to be sued for personal conduct that allegedly occurred before they took office.

• On April 2, 1863, a bread riot occurred in the Confederate capital of Richmond, Virginia, when angry people demanded bread from a bakery wagon before wrecking nearby shops. The mob only dispersed after Confederate President Jefferson Davis made a personal plea and threatened to use force to break it up.

• On April 3, 1944, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled 8 to 1 that African Americans could not be barred from voting in the Texas Democratic primaries. The court stated that discrimination against Blacks violated the 15th Amendment and that political parties were not private associations.

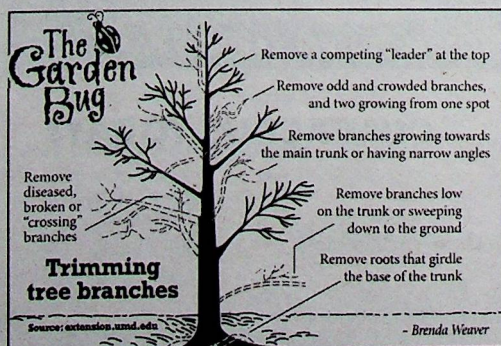
• On April 4, 1802, American social reformer Dorothea Dix was born in Hampden, Maine. Dix founded a home for girls in Boston while she was still just a teenager and later passionately campaigned for humane conditions in jails and insane asylums.

• On April 5, 2008, actor Charlton Heston, who won an Oscar for his starring role in "Ben-Hur," died of Alzheimer's disease at his home in Beverly Hills. Heston notably played Michelangelo, El Cid, and other heroic figures in Hollywood movies of the 1950s and 1960s.

• On April 6, 1917, following a vote by Congress approving a declaration of war, the U.S. entered World War I in Europe. Four days earlier, President Woodrow Wilson cited Germany's violation of its pledge to suspend unrestricted submarine warfare in the North Atlantic and the Mediterranean, as well as its attempts to entice Mexico into an alliance against America, as his reasons for requesting the declaration.

• On April 7, 1712, a rebellion of 27 Black slaves took place in New York City, with nine whites shot as they attempted to put out a fire started by the slaves. The state militia was called out to capture the rebels, and 21 were executed while the remaining six committed suicide.

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Keenan Wary Of State Expanding Online Gambling

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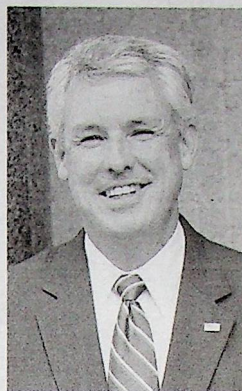
ocrat who has pushed for tighter advertising regulations for the sportsbooks, was asked about online sports betting during a recent interview.

"It's certainly generating some revenue, more than the industry thought and more than the state predicted. We are hearing more and more about the possible harms that are now here as a result of the expansion of betting to include online sports betting," Keenan said.

"Today, I was over at the Encore casino looking at the program they have at the land-based casinos called GameSense. It's a program that helps people have a better understanding of how betting is done, for instance at the Encore casino in Everett. It advises them how games work. It allows them to set limits on how much they're going to bet, how long they may be there, all those things they can modify so that if they sit down at a machine and they're there and they've lost \$50, they'll get a reminder that they're now approaching the amount they said did not want to go over.

"So we looked at that system, talked with the folks who are running that, talked to the casino people. My sense is that as much as we have that system in place at a land-based casino, a brick-and-mortar casino, we're not equipped to do the same thing yet when it comes to sports betting, and yet sports betting is continuing to roll."

Keenan said he was con-



JOHN KEENAN

cerned about possible efforts to legalize additional forms of betting online, including casino games and the state lottery.

"The signs are that the next effort will be to go beyond sports betting and do online casino betting. You'll be able to do slots, electronic table type games, on your phone. That is a huge game changer," he said. "And on top of that we have, in the governor's budget, a proposal for an e-lottery, an online Massachusetts State Lottery."

To underscore his concerns about online casino gaming coming to Massachusetts, Keenan took out his phone and scrolled through his Twitter feed. Within seconds, advertisements for one online sportsbook and for an online casino run by a company that also operates a sportsbook appeared.

Keenan said it would make sense for companies to try and bring online casino gaming to the state, because of the cost associated with building and operating a brick-and-mortar casino.

"If you're in the gaming business, presently in Massachusetts if you want to build a brick-and-mortar [casino], I can't remember what the numbers were, but I think you have to invest basically a billion dollars to be a top-level casino. Those companies have done and have partnered to do sports betting," he said.

"Sports betting you don't have complete control over the odds, because it depends on the outcome of a basketball game or football game. You do have control over the odds when it comes to slots and things like that, especially when it's electronic. So, are you really going to spend money to build another land-based casino to target an audience that's getting older every day while the young audience, they want to do it on the phone, and how much does it cost to put one of these things out on your phone - nothing compared to staffing what I saw today at the Encore casino for instance or all the overhead that's associated with that.

"I have little doubt... there will be an effort in Massachusetts to move beyond sports betting to online casinos, and we are not at all ready for that."

Keenan said he would be opposed to allowing online casino gaming in the state.

"At this point, no," he responded when asked if he would support it.

Seven states currently allow online casino gaming, according to the State House News Service. Rhode Island is the most recent state to do so; online gaming began in

the Ocean State earlier this month.

As for the online lottery, Keenan said he has concerns about that as well and wants certain conditions in place should it go forward.

"We have the e-lottery that has been proposed. I was pretty direct in my questioning to the state treasurer when she came before the Ways and Means Committee about the e-lottery," Keenan said.

"I raised a concern about the lottery being available to 18 year olds and would an online lottery be available to 18 year olds. My sense is that's what they're planning, so I conveyed, one, I don't think we should do e-lottery. Two, if we do it, we should make sure people have to be 21 or over to play. Third, we should ensure the advertising restrictions are appropriate and we should have very strict advertising programs and protocols in place and sports betting should match those. We should elevate what we're requiring of sports betting companies. Then, the fourth component would be to make sure we have all the player data that's possible so we can have the academics and the data people review this in real time to determine what's going on and advise us in terms of policy.

"So, I don't want to see this happen. If it does happen, you have to be 21. Advertising restrictions. Elevate the restrictions relative to advertising for sports betting. And make sure we're getting all the player data for academic and data analysis and policy reasons."

High School Seniors Impacted by Alzheimer's Encouraged To Apply for AFA's Teen Alzheimer's Awareness Scholarship

The Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA) is offering scholarships of up to \$5,000 to college-bound high school seniors affected by Alzheimer's disease or other dementia-related illnesses as part of its annual Teen Alzheimer's Awareness Scholarship Contest.

Entries can be submitted at www.alzfdn.org/scholarship and must be received by Monday, April 1 at 5 p.m. ET.

"Whether they've had a loved one with the disease, volunteered or worked as a caregiver, or are just passionate about the cause, teens across the country are involved in the fight against Alzheimer's, and many of them have very moving and powerful stories to tell," said Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr., president and CEO of the Alzheimer's Foundation of America. "Every student who shares their experiences helps raise Alzheimer's awareness among people of all ages. We encourage teens who have been impacted by Alzheimer's disease to submit an essay or video and tell their story."

Eligible teens are invited to apply for the scholarship by submitting an essay (1,500 words maximum) or submitting a video (no more than four minutes) describing how Alzheimer's disease has impacted their lives and what they have learned about themselves, their family and/or their community through their experience with Alzheimer's.

Examples of ways that Alzheimer's impacted a student's life can include:

- Having a loved one with Alzheimer's disease or another dementia-related illness

- Helping care for someone with Alzheimer's disease or another dementia-related illness

- Volunteering or working in a care setting that serves individuals with dementia

- Raising Alzheimer's awareness in their school or community

- Conducting Alzheimer's research

The program is open to current high school seniors living in the United States who will be attending a U.S. college or university this Fall. Students already attending college are not eligible to participate.

The top prize awarded is a \$5,000 scholarship. Additional prizes are awarded for runners up and honorable mentions. More than \$428,000 in college scholarships have been awarded since the program's inception.

AFA has been able to provide these scholarship funds with the generous support of charitable donors. Individuals wishing to support this and other programs and services for families affected by Alzheimer's disease can do so by visiting www.alzfdn.org/donate or calling AFA at 866-232-8484.

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Scenes From Yesterday



FIRE STATION, W. QUINCY, MASS.

THIS 1915 postcard is a view of the wooden fire station for Hose Three and Ladder Three that was on Copeland Street in West Quincy for over 40 years. It was built in 1894 next to the Willard School that was on the right. Hose Company Nov. 3 was simply called "Granite" when it was organized in 1852. Before it moved here its original equipment was housed in a building on the corner of Furnace Avenue and Copeland Street. That plot of

land was a gift to the Town of Quincy from Solomon Willard who also built the first school here and gave it to the Town. The present home of this fire company is to the left of this view on the corner of Miller Street. It was built in 1939. This above site became part of the school grounds and is now part of the parking lot for the Willard Building office condominiums.

From the Tom Galvin Postcard Collection

City: Furnace Brook Clubhouse Project To Provide Neighborhood Benefits

Mayor Thomas Koch announces that work continues on the new clubhouse facility at the city-owned Furnace Brook Golf Course Clubhouse. The work is being performed by G&R Construction who was the low bidder on the job. Work is expected to continue throughout 2024 and the new facility will be opened in early 2025.

An important part of the project is the city's commitment to make improvements to the surrounding Forbes Hill neighborhood. A water line is being looped from Reservoir Road through to Summit Avenue which will provide greater water pressure and flow at the top of Forbes Hill.

In addition, drainage is being added to the golf course parking lot. Historically, there have not been any drainage structures in the lot and the water would sheet down Reservoir Road and Stoney Brae Road. The City will now capture that stormwater on site and alleviate stormwater flowing down the hill.

In Forbes Hill Park, stormwater management is being implemented to help folks along Summit Avenue. A drainage swale and a berm are being constructed to capture stormwater that has historically ran through properties on Summit Avenue and into the city's drainage system. An old

MWRA pipe has been repurposed and is being used to take stormwater and groundwater off the park property and direct it properly into the city's drainage system.

Along the first fairway of the golf course, a berm is being constructed to prevent stormwater from flowing into backyards along Summit Avenue. The water will be redirected into the golf course's drainage system which has been upgraded this winter.

The city's Traffic Department has implemented traffic calming measures on Forbes Hill in response to many neighborhood concerns at a variety of public meetings.

"We made a commitment to the Forbes Hill neighborhood to address long-standing concerns as part of the improvements we are making to the park and golf course," said Commissioner of Natural Resources Dave Murphy. "Through three years of community meetings, workshops, and site visits we have developed a plan to not only enhance the amenities on the site but we are deliberately addressing the quality of life concerns we heard at multiple public meetings. I want to thank the more than one-hundred people that have attended our meetings over the past few years and helped us make this project even better."

Natural Resources To Form Invasive Species Control Committee

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mittee will be solicited to volunteer for the community clean-ups.

"Our department has been asked by Mayor Koch to expand our efforts beyond the active areas and into the natural areas of our parks and open spaces," said Murphy. "This issue impacts most of our parks and open space areas and we would like to develop management plans to protect the health of our natural environments and protect against the spread of unwanted, invasive species."

Murphy is targeting this year's Cleaner, Greener

Quincy celebration in May for a joint effort between the committee and volunteers to target particular parks and open space areas. The specific locations will be chosen once the committee is formed.

Locally, invasive species such as poison ivy, bittersweet, swallow-wort, knotweed, Norway maple, phragmites and others can be found around the city in

public places and in backyards. The committee will be tasked with educating the public on identifying these invasive plants and the proper way to dispose of them once removed. Environmental Scientist Heather Lis and Project Manager / Urban Forester Mike Casinelli, both from the Natural Resources Department, will help oversee this new committee.

Added Murphy, "Our focus on the natural environment within our parks has grown since the pandemic. We have hundreds of acres of parks and open space that are kept in a natural state. This initiative will aim to keep our local ecosystem healthy and thriving with local, native plants and trees. I appreciate the public's participation and support of this important initiative."

Salvation Army Easter Sunrise Service

The Salvation Army will be holding an Easter Sunrise Service March 31 at 6:30

a.m. on Wollaston Beach in between the Yacht Clubs. We will be singing Easter

Hymns and hearing a message based in the Bible. All are welcome to attend.

Quincy's Yesterdays

This Week
1983
41 Years Ago

Sheets Bows Out Of QJC President's Race

James A. Sheets, who pursued the dual role of teacher and politician for the past decade, withdrew his name as a candidate for president of Quincy Junior College. He said there was a "very real possibility" he would run for mayor in 1985.

Sheets said in a statement that he prefers to remain a teacher at the college and "pursue an expanded leadership role" in the political life of the city. He has been a professor of government at QJC since 1963, head of the department since 1966 and a member of the City Council since 1974.

"This was the hardest decision I ever made professionally," he said.

Sheets, who was one of four finalists for the presidency, made the decision known in a letter, dated March 21, to Toby Felton, assistant to the president of the college.

Asked to expand on his "expanded leadership" statement, Sheets said:

"There is a good possibility I will run for mayor in the near future but not in 1983. There is not enough time to organize and I still have family concerns. I will be free to make a decision in 1985 and there is a very real possibility I will run for mayor then."

Editor's note: Sheets was not a mayoral candidate in 1985 or 1987 when Francis X. McCauley was re-elected to this third and fourth terms. Sheets ran for the open mayor's seat in 1989 when McCauley chose to not seek re-election. Sheets was elected mayor in 1989 and re-elected five times, serving in that capacity for 12 years until he lost a bid for a seventh term to William Phelan in 2001.

MIXED REACTION TO SUNDAY OPENINGS

Some stores in downtown Quincy will be open Sunday for the first time on a regular basis now that the "blue law" restrictions of commerce on the Sabbath have been lifted. But not many city officials, if any, are enthusiastic about it.

"I've always thought that Sunday should be a day of rest," said Mayor Francis McCauley. "But it's the law now. It's up to the individuals to make a decision. If they wish to open, fine."

Kenneth Fallon, executive director of the Quincy Center Business and Professional Association, said a number of group's members have signified that they will be open. They included Remicks, Sawyers, Thom McAnn, Woolworths, Beacon Fabrics, T. J. Maxx, Montilio's, Pewter Pot, Napoli Pizza, Paperama, Stop and Shop and Quirk Ford on Southern Artery.

Star Market and Shaw's Market will be closed, Fallon said.

"Some of the stores are planning to wait until after Easter to open on Sunday," he said.

Members of the Quincy Licensing Board, who have the power over some Sunday licenses, were divided but generally unenthusiastic about the Sunday openings.

"I'm in favor," said Health Commissioner Dr. H. Grace Hussey. "Quincy should be in competition with other communities. Families can go shopping together. As long as working on Sunday is voluntary, I'm in favor."

Fire Chief Edward Barry said he was against Sunday openings. "It's another disruption to family life. Fathers' and mothers' places are with their children."

QUINCYISMS

William O'Brien of Quincy was one of 10 students from the 11th Congressional District nominated by Cong. Brian Donnelly for appointment to the U.S. Military Academy of West Point, N.Y. . . . Arnold Levine of Plymouth Avenue, West Quincy, was appointed to a three-year term as a Republican member of the Board of Registrars of Voters. He replaced Joyce Baker who declined reappointment. . . . John D. Noonan of Quincy was unanimously elected to the Quincy Council on Aging Board of Directors to serve as chairman for the coming year. . . . The Luciano Room, 211 Sea St., advertised a Senior Citizens Nightly Special choice of one entrée (broiled haddock, chopped sirloin, broiled pork chop, fried scallops or liver and onions) with a cup of soup, potato, vegetable and jello or pudding for \$4.95 per person. . . . Attorney Stephen J. McGrath announced the relocation of his Quincy Law Office to 665 Hancock St., Wollaston. . . . Former Mayor James R. McIntyre, the counsel for the State Senate, was presented the "Statesman of the Year" award by the South Shore Chamber of Commerce. Developer Thomas J. Flatley, president of Flatley Co. of Braintree, was honored as the Chamber's "Businessman of the Year." . . . The City Council passed an ordinance change giving Richard J. Koch, executive director of the Park, Forestry and Cemetery Department, a raise from \$24,478 to \$31,240.

Friends Of Wollaston Beach Participate In Shamrock Splash

The 2024 Shamrock Splash is now in the record books and, true to form, it did not disappoint. There were dashers, splashers, incredibly creative costumes, food and beverage and an atmosphere of unparalleled enthusiasm!

The unexpectedly mild weather in Quincy changed by the time members of the Friends of Wollaston Beach reached East Boston but Splashers Bob Verney and Susan McPherson were undaunted. They noted that the water temperature "wasn't that bad." FWB President Maureen Mazrimas, who only briefly put her feet in the water, disagreed. "Thankfully, FWB is not relying on me to Splash!"

Happily, with the generous support of individuals, teams and corporate sponsors, Save the Harbor/Save the Bay did meet its overall goal. The Friends of Wollaston Beach would like to thank all those who supported the Splash, although we did fall a little short. The funds raised by the Splash come back to the individual beaches in order for groups such as FWB to provide FREE ocean-themed activities for kids of all ages including KidsFest, Story Time, Yoga, Books, Coastal and Wastewater Education and so much more! It's not too late to support us by going to <https://savetheharbor.securesweet.com/teampage.asp?fundid=2222>.

We are now busy planning this year's events. If you would like to get involved, learn more about upcoming events or give suggestions for activities, please go to our website www.friendsofwollaston.com, email us at friends-wollastonbeach@gmail.com, or contact Maureen Mazrimas



FRIENDS OF WOLLASTON Beach Board members enjoy a moment at the Shamrock Splash held March 10 at Constitution Beach in East Boston. From left to right: Mike Mazrimas, Susan McPherson, Bob Verney, Maureen Mazrimas and Maya Smith.

at 617-257-8295. Also, see The Quincy Sun and QATV for periodic updates.

FWB is looking forward to another great year on the Beach!

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Thomas Crane Public Library Seeks Community Input For Strategic Plan

As part of the Strategic Planning process, the Thomas Crane Public Library is seeking community input on what visitors think about the library and how it can be improved.

The Crane Public Library will host two public listening sessions at each of the library's locations to hear residents' thoughts. Listening sessions are commonly used to hear what's on people's minds and engage people in emerging or important topics. Library staff will facilitate these listening sessions with some guiding questions about the library space and services.

WHEN & WHERE:

Saturday, March 23
from 1-2 p.m. - Main Library Listening Session 1

Monday, March 25
from 6-7 p.m. - Adams Shore Listening Session 1

Thursday, March 28
from 3-4 p.m. - Adams Shore Listening Session 2

Monday, April 1 from 6-7 p.m. - Main Library Listening Session 2

Tuesday, April 2 from 6-7 p.m. - North Quincy Listening Session 1

Wednesday, April 3 from 10-11 a.m. - North Quincy Listening Session 2

Wednesday, April 3 from 6-7 p.m. - Wollaston Listening Session 1

Monday, April 8 from 2-3 p.m. - Wollaston Listening Session 2

Thursday, April 11 from 10:30-11:30 a.m.: Trustees Focus Group

Thursday, May 9 - Trustees receive final draft

Thursday, June 13 - Trustees vote on final draft

Monday, July 1 - Final Plan Released

Public libraries have always been adaptive organizations, functioning at various times as book repositories, information providers, educational institutions and social advocates.

The Thomas Crane Public Library periodically engages in a wide-ranging community-based planning process that elicits input from city residents and stakeholders and then adapts services to meet current and anticipated community needs.

A Strategic Plan articulates overall service priorities and specific goals and serves as the library's organizational compass for the next five years, guiding the development of annual action plans and helping to provide exceptional services. Strategic planning makes it possible for the library to make a real difference in the everyday lives of Quincy residents.

The Thomas Crane Public Library thanks the community for their ongoing support.

To learn more, visit www.thomascranelibrary.org.



BOB VERNEY (Friends of Wollaston Beach) and **Chris Mancini** (Save the Harbor/Save the Bay).

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Beyond Abigail: Notable Quincy Women & The Hunt To Tell Their Stories March 21

On Thursday, March 21st, at 7 p.m. at the Adams Academy, in honor of Women's History Month, Quincy Historical Society curator Alexandra Elliott will revisit and provide updates on a 2021 program exploring the stories of noteworthy women in Quincy history.

Abigail Adams is, without question, the most famous and influential Quincy woman in history. Her letters are a treasure to historians, a complex and fascinating picture of the mind of a Revolutionary woman,

and an invaluable resource about the experience of women and families during the American Revolution. But she is not the only woman of note to hail from Quincy, Massachusetts. Her light sometimes can obscure the brilliance of these other women also deserving of our attention.

This program will shine a spotlight on some of these other notable Quincy women, such as Anne Hutchinson, Ruth Gordon, and Mary Pratt, and introduce a few

that have not yet received much attention, or that have resurfaced in the past few years, like Molly Dewson and Celestine Dorch. Then, Elliott will outline the ongoing research into women's history at Quincy Historical Society, and some of the ways in which the Society intends to honor these women during Quincy's 400th anniversary celebrations.

This event is free to attend and open to all. The Adams Academy is located at 8 Adams St., Quincy.

Koch, MBTA GM Discuss Transit Issues At City Hall Visit

Topics Include Quincy Center Station, Old Bus Facility On Hancock Street

By SCOTT JACKSON

Mayor Thomas Koch and the general manager of the MBTA recently met at City Hall to discuss a number of issues related to the transit agency.

Koch and Phillip Eng, who has been at the helm of the MBTA since last April, met two weeks ago. Koch, who also a member of the MBTA's board of directors, said they discussed topics specific to Quincy and others impacting the whole system.

"We discussed the T in general — obviously I'm on the board — operations, the directions we're going and some of the challenges," Koch said in a recent interview.

"Specifically, we talked about Quincy Center station, moving forward on the design. We talked about the old barn on Hancock Street and the disposition of that with my goal of acquiring that. And then of course the update on the electrification barn facility over at the old Lowe's. Those kinds of things."

The MBTA is in the process of building a new bus maintenance facility at the former home of Lowe's at 599 Burgin Parkway in South Quincy. The new facility is being designed to

accommodate an entire fleet of battery-electric buses and have will capacity for 120 such buses once it opens, up from the 86 presently based out of the MBTA's current facility at 954 Hancock St. The current facility is more than a century old and was originally designed to service street cars.

Koch said the MBTA has been receptive to transferring the Hancock Street site, which is next to Veterans' Memorial Stadium, to the city once the new facility opens, but the transit agency has not yet committed to doing so. The mayor said he believes the MBTA should transfer the property at no cost to the city in part to make up for the loss of property tax revenue at the Lowe's site.

"From my perspective, I think the T owes it to the city because they took over the Lowe's site. We're going to lose more than \$200,000 a year in property taxes there," Koch said. "I think we've worked well with the T on issues and we're working with them on the placement of a substation for the new Quincy Center project, which could end up in Freedom Park, we don't know yet."

In an interview this January, Koch said the MBTA is

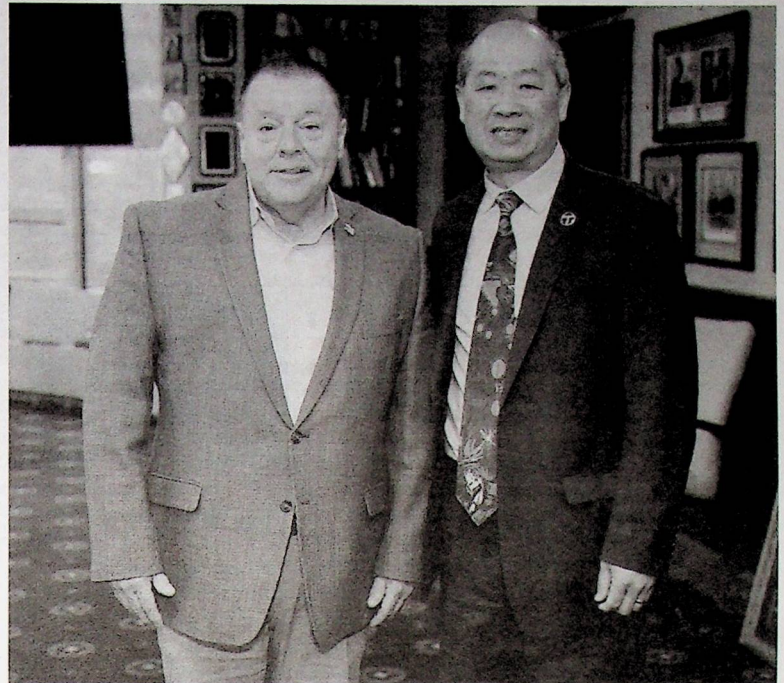
in the process of designing a new Quincy Center station. The Quincy Center station first opened in 1971 and is served by the Red Line and Commuter Rail and is also the hub for buses in the city and surrounding communities. The station was formerly home to an 870-car parking garage, which was closed abruptly in 2012 because of concerns over its structural integrity and has since been demolished.

In the recent interview, Koch said one of the purposes of meeting with Eng was to "get the design phase pushed along" and there were no further updates on the Quincy Center project.

Gov. Maura Healey hired Eng as the general manager of the MBTA last spring and he officially began his new job last April. Before coming to Massachusetts, Eng served as the president of the MTA's Long Island Railroad, the nation's busiest community rail system, from 2018 and 2022. Eng began his career in the New York State Department of Transportation and served as the chief operating officer of the MTA prior to running the LIRR.

Koch said he believes Eng will be able to right the ship at the MBTA.

"It was a good conversa-



MAYOR THOMAS P. KOCH (left) recently met with M.B.T.A. General Manager Phillip Eng (right) at the mayor's City Hall office. The two discussed Red Line upgrades, the new bus facility on Burgin Parkway and other related issues.

Photo courtesy City of Quincy

tion about going forward, talking about the T itself and some of the challenges over the years from my observations. I think he's doing a great job," Koch said of Eng.

"I think one of the ben-

efits that he brings to the table is he has railroad experience. With all the challenges we've had, we've had some good general managers, but sometimes they're good administrators but don't have

the railroad experience and understanding the day-to-day happenings. I think this guy has got the whole package. I am very hopeful that he is going to be able to turn the ship."

St. Agatha Parish Holy Week Services

St. Agatha Parish, 432 Adams St., Milton, announces its Holy Week and Easter services.

Palm Sunday: Mass on Saturday, March 23 at 4:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 24 at 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Daily Mass: Monday - Wednesday, March 25-27, 9 a.m.

Wednesday, March 27: 6 to 7 p.m. Reconciliation and 6:30 to 8 p.m. Adoration.

Holy Thursday, March 28: 9 a.m. Morning Prayer, 7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper and Adoration of the Eucharist until 10 p.m.

Good Friday, March 29: 9 a.m. Morning Prayer and 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. -

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday, March 30: 9 a.m. Morning Prayer and 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil.

Easter Sunday, March 31: Masses 7:30 a.m. (church), 9:30 a.m. (church), and 11:30 a.m. (both church and Parish Center) - no 5 p.m. Mass.

Christ's Church Holy Week Services

Christ's Church, 12 Quincy Ave., Quincy, announces its Holy Week Services.

On Palm Sunday, March 24, there will be an 8 a.m. Blessing of the Palms and a said Holy Eucharist. There

will also be a 10 a.m. service for the Holy Eucharist and Scripture and song.

Maundy Thursday, March 28 there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 12:15 p.m. and 7 p.m.

On March 29, there will

be a Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday at 12:15 p.m. and 7 p.m.

For more information call 617-773-0310.

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Taylor Esser's Career Change From Finance To Business Owner

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the boxes of what I was looking for when doing my research."

She continues, "Through my conversations with Todd Golberg (Minuteman Press RVP for New England), everything just seemed very doable and the price very

reasonable. By this point in my life, I just felt like I was ready. It took me a long time to figure out that if I didn't make a change, I was always going to be running someone else's business. I had already gained the confidence I needed to know it was time to trust and bet on

myself, and this opportunity as well as some reassurance from Todd made the decision just a little bit easier."

Esser further explained: "I also bought this business because:

"Coming from outside the industry, the training and support from Minute-

man Press was huge.

"The royalty cap is something I never saw with the other franchises I researched.

"The staff at my center has been in place for a long time, with an average length of time of 5-10 years. I retained the entire staff and they have all been a huge asset to the business.

"Minuteman Press FLEX software and their Internet marketing program make things easier to manage. It could be a lot harder to run the business without these pieces and the help from Todd and MPIHQ."

She adds, "Todd Golberg has been incredible from the beginning. He's been wonderful to work with both on the purchase of the business and now that I am running Minuteman Press in Quincy. He's been great with advice and simply reinforcing the notion that 'you'll be great at this.' It's been a positive experience the whole way. The transition, training, and support have been fantastic. Anytime I call Todd or MPIHQ, there's always someone to pick up right away. They know who I am, which I think speaks volumes about Minuteman Press being family-owned and treating me like part of their family regardless of how long I've been in business."

As she transitions to the role of business owner in the printing industry, Esser said

she is excited about the opportunities in front of her.

"Now that I've been here for a few months, I can say that with printing, you become hyper-aware of all of the tremendous business opportunities as you start to see all of the printing that surrounds you - signage, banners, shirts, promo items, just about everything. I was always an extrovert to begin with, so this has just been really fun for me just speaking with people and getting our brand and capabilities out there."

She continues, "I live in the town next to Quincy and I love these opportunities to connect with the community here. It stimulates my imagination about what we can do to help other businesses and how we can create new revenue streams the previous owners didn't have or explore before Minuteman Press."

Esser shares the top three ways she's been marketing and growing the business:

"I joined ASI and utilized the Internet Marketing Program to gain promotional products business, which was non-existent with the previous owners.

"I've extended into other key product areas such as apparel, working with clients like local schools for different shirts they need for various events and functions.

"I love getting out there

and marketing. I feel it's important to tell everyone what you do as you never know what they need or how you might be able to help them."

As for what she loves most about being a business owner vs. having a job, Esser says, "Of course, it's the freedom! I love having control over my own destiny and making those important business decisions. I like having the flexibility to make those decisions based on my own ideas and values. I also find it valuable to empower my staff when I have a meeting or appointment, knowing that everything can still run smoothly when I am out marketing. Coming from the finance world, I want to give my staff what they need to be happy, so I treat them right and strive to give them reasons to stay."

Esser concludes, "I am happy every single day with my decision to buy this business and join Minuteman Press. I have no regrets. In fact, everything has gone very smoothly, more so than I thought it would when I first took that leap of faith. Overall, I am so pleased and I have to give credit to Todd and the team at MPIHQ for all they've done to help guide me along the way."

Minuteman Press is located at 40 Oval Road #1, Quincy. For more information, visit <https://minuteman.com/us/locations/ma/quincy/>.

WHAT'S COOKING

with

Marie & Suzie

By MARIE D'OLIMPIO and SUZIE FALCO



Rigatoni Over Chicken

By MARIE

A lot of people don't realize how delicious chicken is when it is cooked in tomato sauce.

When you try today's recipe for Rigatoni Over Chicken, it will give you a good idea of how great this combination is. This recipe is delicious, easy and quick to make and a nice meal on a cold day.

Directions and Ingredients:

4 or 5 boneless chicken thighs, cut in bite-sized pieces

2 tablespoons olive oil, add more to pan if needed

1 package of sliced mushrooms

1 small onion, diced

2 cloves of garlics, diced

1 large can (28 ounces) crushed tomato

1 pound of large rigatoni

¼ cup of Romano cheese, for topping

¼ cup parmesan cheese for topping

1 teaspoon dried basil

½ teaspoon oregano

Salt and pepper to taste

In the hot oil, sauté the onion, garlic, chicken and mushrooms together until mostly done.

Then add the crushed tomato, basil, oregano and salt and pepper.

Blend together and simmer for 20 minutes, covered, on low heat.

In the meantime, boil the Rigatoni according to directions. When Rigatoni is done, place it in a serving bowl and then add the sauce and mixture.

Top with the two cheeses.

Delicious with a side salad or a crusty, artisan bread.

Vegetarian Meatloaf

By SUZIE

Here is a really delicious and healthy recipe for vegetarian meatloaf to try.

It's always a good idea to eat more vegetables, and less meat. You don't have to be a vegetarian to experiment with various dishes that contain no meat. This tastes great, and will be a hit.

You will be loading up with important nutrients and getting important fiber as well. Hope you love it as much as I do.

VEGETARIAN MEATLOAF

2 cups water

1 teaspoon sea salt

1 cup lentils

1 small onion, diced

½ cup shredded zucchini

1 cup quick-cooking gluten free oats

¾ cup grated cheese of choice (cheddar or Monterey jack is great)

1 egg, beaten

4 ½ ounces marinara sauce of choice

1 tablespoon olive oil

2 garlic cloves, minced

1 teaspoon dried basil

2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

1 teaspoon herbamare or trocomare seasoned salt

2 teaspoons sriracha sauce

Add salt to water and boil in a saucepan.

Add lentils and simmer covered 25-30 minutes, until lentils are soft and most of water is evaporated.

Drain and partially mash lentils. Scrape into mixing bowl and allow to cool slightly.

Stir in onion, oats and cheese until mixed.

Add egg, tomato sauce, oil, garlic, zucchini, basil, parsley, seasoning salt and sriracha, mix well.

Spoon into loaf pan that has been generously greased with olive oil.

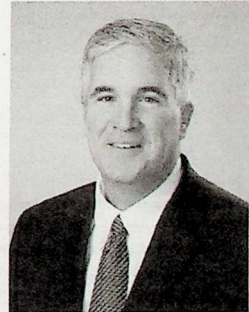
Smooth top with back of spoon.

Bake at 350 degrees for 30-45 minutes until top of loaf is dry, firm and golden brown.

Bank Of Canton Promotes Charles Gaffney To SVP, Operations & Technology

Bank of Canton recently promoted Charles Gaffney, longtime head of the bank's information technology department, to the position of senior vice president of operations & technology. In his expanded role overseeing bank operations, security, facilities and I.T., Gaffney succeeds senior vice president Peter Shea, who will soon retire after a 35-year career with the bank.

"I'm honored to have this opportunity," said Gaffney. "Technology and service delivery are constantly evolving in the banking industry, and the customer experience is greatly impacted by how we navigate those changes. Evaluating, implementing, and maintaining



CHARLES GAFFNEY

new banking and lending services - while striking the proper balance between convenience and security - is crucial to our continued success.

"I'm excited to lead a talented team that's committed to supporting, educating and protecting our customers, and delivering a top-notch banking experience every day."

Gaffney was the bank's vice president of information technology for nearly 21 years prior to his promotion. Before joining Bank of Canton in 2003, he served as assistant vice president/operations officer at Peoples Federal Savings Bank.

In his new role on the bank's executive team, he reports directly to the bank's president and CEO, Stephen P. Costello.

"Charlie's been a valuable contributor to Bank of Canton for over 20 years," said Costello. "Working closely with Peter Shea during that time, he gained exposure to our operations function, and broadened his banking and leadership skills by pursuing career development opportunities. We're fortunate to have someone with his institutional knowledge and expertise assume responsibility for our operations and I.T. departments, and I look forward to his continued growth and success."

Gaffney graduated from Providence College with a Bachelor of Science degree in economics, and received a Stonier diploma and Wharton leadership certificate from the ABA Stonier Graduate School of Banking. He lives with his wife and three children in Scituate, where he serves on the board of the Scituate Beach Association.

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Social Security Matters

Ask Rusty – How Do Survivor Benefits Work For A Married Couple?

By RUSSELL GLOOR

National Social Security Advisor
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Dear Rusty: How does Social Security handle the death of one spouse? Say, for example, the husband receives \$2,000 per month in Social Security and his wife receives \$1,000 per month. How is the death of either spouse handled? **Signed: Concerned spouse**

Dear Concerned: Benefits to a deceased beneficiary stop as soon as Social Security (SS) is notified of the death (notification usually done by the funeral director who handles arrangements). Benefits are not paid for the month of death, only for the preceding month when the beneficiary was alive for the entire month.

A surviving spouse is entitled to the higher of two benefits – their own personally earned SS retirement benefit, or an amount based on the deceased spouse's benefit at death. In the example you cite, and assuming the surviving spouse has reached full retirement age (FRA): if the husband dies first the wife will receive the husband's \$2,000 monthly benefit instead of her previous \$1,000 amount. But if the wife died first, the husband would continue receiving only his \$2,000 monthly amount because that is more than his deceased wife was receiving. Note in either case, the surviving spouse would be entitled to a one-time lump sum "death benefit" of \$255.

The surviving spouse would need to contact Social Security to claim the "death benefit" and – unless the surviving spouse was previously receiving only a spousal benefit – also to claim the higher monthly amount, if eligible. If the surviving spouse was previously receiving only a spousal benefit from the deceased (and not entitled to SS retirement benefits on their own), then Social Security would automatically award their higher survivor amount when notified of the death.

If a surviving spouse has reached full retirement age (somewhere between 66 and 67 depending on year of birth) and is eligible for a survivor benefit, the amount of the survivor benefit will be 100% of the deceased spouse's benefit. But if the survivor claims the benefit before reaching FRA, the amount of the survivor benefit will be reduced (by 4.75% for each full year earlier). The survivor's benefit reaches maximum at the survivor's full retirement age.

If a surviving spouse has not yet reached their FRA, and if they are entitled to (not necessarily collecting) their own Social Security retirement benefit, the surviving spouse has the option to delay claiming the survivor benefit until it reaches maximum at their full retirement age. And if the survivor's personal SS retirement benefit will ever be more than their maximum survivor benefit, the surviving spouse also has the option to claim only the smaller survivor benefit first and allow their personal SS retirement benefit to grow (to maximum at age 70 if desired).

With Social Security there is hardly ever a simple answer to a question but, in the example you use, if both are over their SS full retirement age:

- If the husband dies first, the wife will get 100% of the amount (\$2000) the husband was receiving, instead of the small amount (\$1000) she was previously receiving.

- If the wife dies first, the husband's monthly benefit will remain at \$2000, and he will get no increase in his monthly amount.

- In either case, the surviving spouse will be entitled to a one-time lump sum death benefit of \$255.

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Keenan Optimistic State Will Ban Revenge Porn

By SCOTT JACKSON

Sen. John Keenan is optimistic that lawmakers on Beacon Hill will soon vote to outlaw revenge porn, joining 48 other states that have already done so.

Massachusetts is one of two states – the other is South Carolina – that have yet to ban revenge porn, the sharing of explicit content of someone without their consent to do so. Bay State lawmakers came close to enacting a ban in 2022 as both chambers approved bills to do so, but time ran out before differences between those bills could be worked out in conference committee.

The House of Representatives in January unanimously approved a bill that would make revenge a felony. Keenan, a Quincy Democrat, said he was optimistic the upper chamber would vote on the bill in the coming weeks.

"I have been in contact with the Senate president's office and the Senate Ways and Means Committee, the chairs and Senate president," Keenan said in a recent interview. "I am hopeful that within the next few weeks it will come out of the Senate Ways and Means Committee to the floor for a vote, and I am optimistic it will pass, as it should."

The weighs and means committee was in the process of reaching out to various stakeholders, Keenan said.

"When it goes to weighs and means, they reach out for instance to any agency that might be impacted by it," he said. "In this case, they'd want to reach out to the Office of the Child Advocate, the office of the attorney general. They'd want to reach out to the court system to see if they've got any concerns about it. They'll do their own work relative to advocates, the ACLU, all those kinds of organizations that might have concerns. The Ways and Means Committee kind of vets the bill again before putting out to the floor."

Keenan has been working to pass the revenge porn ban since the previous legislative session.

"It's kind of an interesting history," he said. "The last session, it was filed in the House by Rep. [Jeffrey] Roy and it passed the House. I don't think anybody in the Senate was on the bill so when it came over to the Senate, based on people reaching out to me with their concerns, people from my district, I took on the bill basically, the effort to get it

passed.

"We did get it passed last session on informal vote, but it was near the end of the session so there wasn't time to do a conference committee. So this session I filed legislation in the Senate, there was a companion bill filed in the House, and that's where we're at now."

Keenan has met with nearly all of his fellow senators to discuss the proposed legislation. As part of those discussions, Keenan said he discussed the idea of incorporating language about deepfakes – computer-generated likenesses of people – into the bill, something the House did do.

"We worked really hard on it," Keenan said. "I met with I think just about every senator now individually on the bill, including the Senate president, advising what's in it, what we want to keep in the bill as it makes its way through the process."

"We raised the issue of deepfakes and adding that language to the bill. The House did do that. They filed an amendment as it was going through the House to add artificial intelligence, deepfake language to the bill. That was Rep. [Tricia] Farley-Bouvier, which was great. We were thrilled to see her do it. So it's come over to the Senate in a form that were hoping it would come over to the Senate in. So the differences are pretty minor."

"The artificial intelligence part of it, the deepfake part of it, is to basically have it mirror real revenge porn," Keenan added. "In other words, if two individuals consent to photographs

being taken or images, nude or partially nude, being taken, and then one shares it without consent of the other, in 48 states that's illegal. In Massachusetts, it's not. The revenge porn part of that would make that illegal.

"Our thought was, given the way technology is, what's the difference whether somebody takes a picture, shares it for financial gain, to shame, embarrass or harm somebody, they share it through text, social media, one of those platforms, and the resulting harm is emotional distress to the individual. What's the difference if they take a fully clothed picture of somebody, alter it, which is quite easy to do on the internet now, and share that image such that anybody who sees it believes it to be a real image. And they do it for basically the same reasons, financial gain, to embarrass or shame. They do it in the same way, through text and social media. And the result is the same, it embarrasses or causes emotional harm to a person, or physical harm even. That's what we're looking to address with the artificial intelligence or deepfake part of it."

Keenan was optimistic the language relative to deepfakes would remain in the legislation as it makes its way through the Senate.

"It came over from the House with language in it. We might tweak the language, we might keep the language the same, but I'm fairly confident that will be included in the final bill," he said. "When I was meeting with my colleagues over the last several months, I raised

the issue of the artificial intelligence or deepfake part with them...and so all of them were aware that that's what the effort was."

Massachusetts would be one of the first states with a law relative to deepfakes on the book, he added.

"I don't know what the number is now. I don't think it's as high as ten," Keenan responded when asked if other states have taken action on deepfakes. "This is relatively new, so we would be one of the early states to do this."

If both chambers do pass legislation to ban revenge, Keenan is optimistic Gov. Maura Healey will sign that bill into law.

"When we passed it in the Senate last time on a voice vote, during that process they were helpful when she was attorney general in providing us with some language, some guidance and some reviews," he said. "I suspect she would be supportive, and I hope she would be supportive. I expect she will be, and I hope she will be."

Revenge porn has been a major issue, he said, and victims sometimes don't come forward because they have no recourse currently.

"This is a pretty big issue," Keenan said. "For every person that's come out in the past and said this happened, despite there not being a law that provided them protection or recourse, we know there are many, many more people who have not come out because there is nowhere for them to go, there was no recourse for them under the legal system, and now they'll have that recourse."



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O'Donnell Visits Braintree Post 86 For Veterans Coffee Hour

Norfolk County Register of Deeds William P. O'Donnell met with the veterans and veteran family members of Braintree American Legion Post 86 to share some of the programs and services that are available through the Registry of Deeds during Braintree Post 86's Veterans Coffee Hour March 1.

"It was very much appreciated that the Register could visit Post 86 and provide the members with some of the services offered at the Registry of Deeds," said John Pelose, adjutant for Braintree's American Legion post.

O'Donnell gave an overview of the Registry of Deeds, which is the principal office for real property records in Norfolk County, cataloging and housing more than 10 million land documents dating back to 1793. O'Donnell and registry staff were also on hand to assist Post 86 members with questions or concerns regarding real property records or land documents.

"It was very good to see the Register here today, the issues he talked about were really informative," said James Gullage.

Veterans Coffee Hour at American Legion Post 86 in Braintree is held weekly on Fridays, where members, Veterans, and those interested can learn about post happenings, veteran events, and information that may be useful to veterans and veteran family members.

"It is an honor just to be invited to meet with the veterans and veteran family members of Braintree American Legion Post 86, and if I can be of any help by bringing some of the services that the Registry of Deeds has directly to them, then I am grateful for the opportunity," O'Donnell said.

During the visit, O'Donnell discussed the advantages of the Massachusetts Homestead Act. The Homestead Act is an important consumer protection tool for homeowners, as it provides limited protection

against the forced sale of an individual's primary residence to satisfy unsecured debt up to \$500,000.

"Homeowners can have peace of mind knowing that with a Declaration of Homestead recorded at the Registry of Deeds, their primary residence cannot be forcibly sold to satisfy most debts. This is especially important when you consider that for most of us, a home is our most valuable asset," O'Donnell said.

O'Donnell also reminded attendees about the importance of filing a mortgage discharge after their mortgage has been paid off. A discharge is a document (typically one or two pages) issued by the lender, usually with a title such as "Discharge of Mortgage" or "Satisfaction of Mortgage." When a mortgage has been paid off, a mortgage discharge document needs to be recorded with the Registry of Deeds to clear a homeowner's property title relative to that loan.

Registry staff were also able to provide certified copies of land documents, including deeds, and were also able to look up property



JOHN PELOSE, adjutant for Braintree American Legion Post 86, Norfolk County Register of Deeds William O'Donnell, Alfred Varraso, past Post Commander, and John Bourne current Post Commander share a moment during a speaking event at Braintree American Legion Post 86 March 1, as part of the Register's ongoing efforts to bring the Registry of Deeds directly to the residents of Norfolk County.

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records to address any concerns attendees at Braintree Post 86's Coffee Hour may have had.

"I want to thank Braintree Post 86 Commander John Bourne and Adjutant John Pelose for allowing me the opportunity to share some information about the Registry of Deeds during the Veterans Coffee hour. I also want to thank those who attended, it is always an honor to spend time with our Veterans and their family mem-

bers," said O'Donnell.

If you would like to stay up-to-date on upcoming Registry of Deeds events, programs, and real estate information, you can sign up for our Registry email updates at www.norfolkdeeds.org, like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/norfolkdeeds, or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/norfolkdeeds.

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Barbara Graceffa: A Look Back At Decorating Magazines

By BARBARA GRACEFFA

A friend recently gave me a 1918 copy of "House Beautiful." I enjoyed reading about early-century furniture and decorating. However, noticing the changes in magazine format, product ads, and a mirror of the times including a world at war and women fighting for the vote fascinated me.

Called "The House Beautiful" at the time, its first issue hit the market in 1896. Interestingly, with the June issue I read, production had just moved to Mt. Vernon Street in Boston. Editors penned a vivid description of the neighborhood with some of its surroundings unchanged today. "(At the very top of Beacon Hill, the shadow of the dome of the State House falls upon us ... and we are seeing spring come over the unnumberable roof tops, spired and turreted and many chimneys, a wonderful view."

Magazine Format

I first noticed the changes in covers over the years. Today's magazines present glossy full-page, full-color photographs with teaser content noted on the cover. One hundred years ago, a simple black font announced the magazine title, and the larger format depicted a copy of a colored painting surrounded by an off-white background with no mention of feature articles.

Inside the magazine, the pages were void of color. They were peppered with a handful of black and white photographs to accompany stories on home décor, garden planning, and domestic arts. Absent were the typical, mouth-watering, I've-got-to-try-this-recipe photographs.

Advertising

The majority of advertisements appeared on the opening and closing pages instead of spreading throughout the magazine. The types of products advertised changed over the years, too. The pages of the 1918 issue promoted an abundance of home-building products: wood (Southern pine and cypress and California redwood), concrete and stucco mixes, plans for sun and dining porches, reinforced concrete underground garbage receivers (I remember them still in use in the 1960s!), irrigation systems, and supplies for thatch or metal sheet roofs.

More than a century later, some of the same companies remain in business. I saw familiar names like Pratt and Lambert varnish ("now in eight colors"), Kohler bathtubs

("add a touch of refinement to any bathroom"), Stanley garage door hardware, Le Page glues, as well as Corbin door locks and Butcher's Boston Polishes for furniture, floors and woodwork.

In my next column, I will wrap up my observations on more content changes in home magazines showing the historical context and cultural norms of the time. I hope that you will find them as remarkable as I did.

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New Geese Control Devices Installed Around City

Commissioner of Natural Resources Dave Murphy announced that the City is deploying geese control devices at various park locations around the city to reduce the amount of geese that frequent the Quincy park system. Geese leave behind quite a mess and the City aims to mitigate the problem prior to the Spring high school and youth sports season.

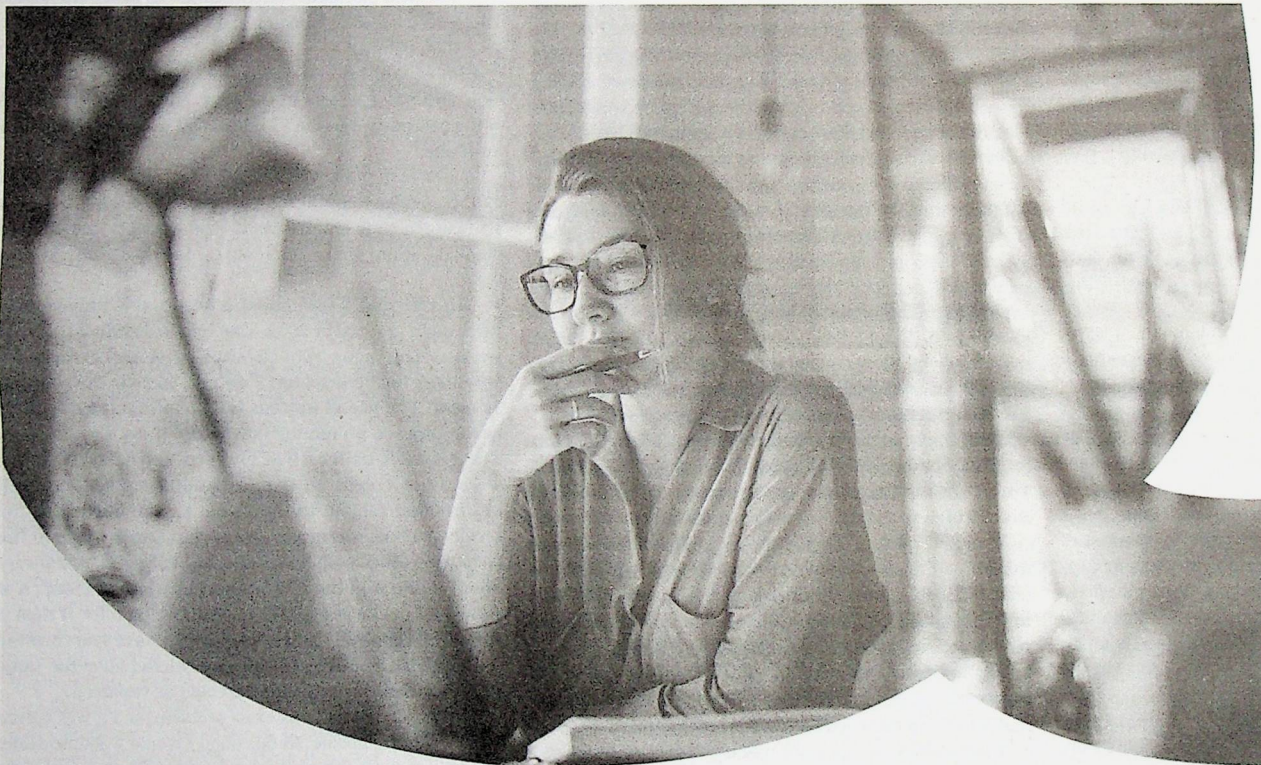
The devices mimic the sound of a goose in distress and have worked as a deterrent in other parts of the country. The intermittent distress calls occur every ten minutes or so and appear to keep geese away from the areas where they are being used.

"This is a humane, non-chemical way to address a problem that could impact the public health of the young people

that use our athletic fields," said Murphy. "The goose population has exploded in the past decade and the impacts are easily noticed on the fields that they frequent. We have been searching for a proper, humane, safe, and effective way to address this issue and I like what I have seen so far."

In past years, the city has hired companies to use dogs to chase geese off fields. A safe chemical deterrent had been used in the past on a limited basis. Both attempts provided brief relief, but the geese inevitably returned.

The devices will be used primarily at the park locations where geese frequent the most and may be moved around based on the behavioral patterns of the geese in the coming months.



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Ask John Paul: AAA New England's Car Doctor Senior Manager, Public Affairs and Traffic Safety

I have a 2012 Toyota Camry with 47,000 miles, that I am thinking of selling and buying my daughter's 2018 Toyota Camry with 51,000 miles. The main reason is to gain so many more safety features. My driving is generally less than 5,000 miles a year. What would be reasonable, selling one car and buying the other. What do you think it would cost and is this a good idea?

Looking at both CarGurus and iSeeCars, there is about a \$8-\$10,000 difference in value. A good low mileage 2012 Camry is selling for \$10-\$12,000. A similar low mileage 2018 Toyota Camry is selling for \$20-\$22,000. Having extra safety features and a more dependable car is almost always a worthwhile investment.

Recently my 2011 Mazda CX-7 needed a new alternator and battery. After I picked the car up from the repair center, the radio wouldn't bring in the stations I'm used to hearing, both local and further away. To me, this indicated an issue with the antenna connection. When I asked the service person about it, they denied that there was any connection between the alternator/battery service and the antenna issue (or radio issue). I have always kept my Mazda in good repair, but since it is over 10 years old and has 180,000 miles on it ("old reliable") I feel more vulnerable to service techs using that as an excuse.

There is no reason that the shop needed to disturb the antenna or antenna wiring while replacing the battery or alternator. It is possible that if the alternator was overcharging it damaged the radio. Sometimes you can get lucky and unplug the radio and let it power back up allowing a type of "reset."

I have a 2006 Ford Escape hybrid. When I go to fill up the tank the nozzle easily is "tripped" as if the tank is full when it is not. I have to pump the gas extremely slowly in order to fill the tank. This is very frustrating. Any ideas how to fix it?

In just about every vehicle this issue is caused by a faulty purge valve. This is part of the fuel vapor management system and can fail or just clog with dirt/mud even spider webs.

I recently purchased a used Chevy Volt, it is a great car and I use almost no gas in my regular driving. The issue is it smells like a locker room. I think it was used as a security car at a large business and someone sat in it 24 hours a day. You may have mentioned something, but I couldn't find it. Any idea how to get the stink out?

I would start with a good basic cleaning either using an extractor cleaner or a "wet-vac." A little dish detergent mixed in warm water works wonders but use more suds than water, scrub with a soft brush and use a wet-vac and vacuum any water off the seats and carpet. A deodorizing spray such as Ozium, Febreze or No-Naste may also help.

I have a 2015 Nissan Rogue and I've been told I need a new heater core. I have no heat and it only blows out cold air. Do you agree with the diagnosis?

That typically isn't a faulty heater core; a clogged heater core may limit heat, but generally there will be some warm air. It is usually easy enough to test the heater core. A simple test is checking the temperature of both the supply and return lines of the heater core. I would suspect more is a problem with a malfunctioning air blend door.

I have a 2020 Toyota Camry hybrid. My question is how accurate is the mileage number that the car computer shows on the screen when you fill up the tank?

The onboard computer systems are pretty accurate, but they do some averaging. In fact, I believe these systems are more accurate than the "old" method of recording miles and refueling. One of the issues with the traditional method is the angle of the fuel tank and vary and how much you fill

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the tank. If you are going to use this method, park on a level surface and slowly fill the tank on the slow pump setting and stop when the pump clicks off. One of the advantages of the onboard system, is that you are constantly looking at the miles per gallon and if you see a change, it could indicate the beginning of a problem.

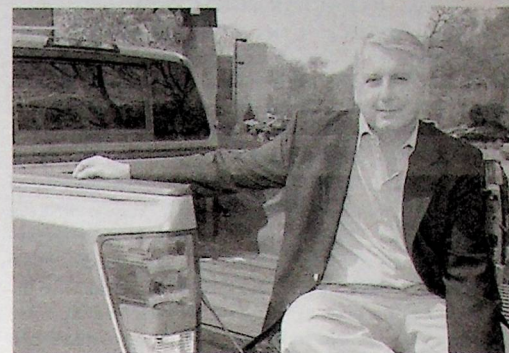
I own a 2019 Fusion Energi with 56,000 miles. Recently, I will get seemingly at random, an error message that appears on my dash that says stop safely now. I had the car towed to my local Ford dealer and they had the car for several days and they said this error message never reappeared and there were no error codes in the computer. When it does appear the car barely accelerates regardless of how much you give it gas. Sometimes just shutting it off and turning it back on corrects the error, but sometimes it just does not go away which is why I had it towed in. Luckily, it only happened while I was driving locally. I am afraid to take it on the parkway or on a long trip until this can be diagnosed and repaired. Can you shed any light on this?

That message is specific to the hybrid drivetrain, and it usually indicates a problem with hybrid battery cooling system. Now, of course it could be wiring or some other component issue but the only times I have seen it is when the hybrid battery temperature gets above the normal rating. As you pointed out, sometimes shutting the car off for a bit restarting it clears the issue. A scan of the car's computer modules needs to be performed to isolate the issue. In addition, and most importantly there is a recall. In Ford's words, there is a chance a fire may break out in the trunk area while driving, increasing the risk of injury. We are asking you to please avoid charging your vehicle until a remedy is available. Some Ford Fusion Energi Plug-in Hybrid models may not start or may display a "Stop Safely Now" message while driving, followed by a loss of power within a few seconds.

A comment about headlight cleaning, I had the same problem on my 1999 Honda CRV: foggy headlights. There may be "some" dirt on the outside of the headlight cover which you can clean with a cloth. But do not waste your money or time buying those products that tell you to scrub off the fog. They do not work. In my opinion the only thing that works that brings your headlights back to full brightness is to take your car to a body shop and have the headlight cover assembly replaced. The fog is on the inside of the light, and it can't be cleaned off. I think it is caused by the sun's UV light. I replaced mine and now I am back to full bright headlights.

I agree to a point, the spray on easy-to-use products don't work any better than using bug spray. If lens degradation is on the inside the only thing you can do is replace them. Most headlights are made of plastic and exposure to sunlight breaks down the plastic coating, causing discoloration that obscures the amount of light produced. Depending on where and how the vehicle is used, headlights can begin showing signs of deterioration as early as three years to five years. That being said I have used kits that come with 1500, 2000, and 3000 grit sandpaper and then a polishing compound and a UV sealer and have taken headlights from badly glazed to completely transparent. It is a fair amount of work, but the result was quite good and so far on one of our own cars the lenses are clear one year later.

I own a 2019 Honda CRV that I put new tires on this past November. I do a lot of winter driving in Vermont,



JOHN PAUL
AAA's Car Doctor

and I wanted something better in the snow than my original tires. I went with Firestone Weathergrip tires, and they are a big improvement over what I had. However, I now find that my gas mileage has dropped by about 0.7 MPG. Could it be the tires or is something else going on here?

It certainly is possible the tires do not have the same rolling resistance as the original tires, which results in a little less fuel economy. Also, keep in mind the composition of winter fuel has less energy in it and seeing up to a 3 to 5% drop and fuel economy is not uncommon. The other thing you may find is, although the tires say they're the same size, they may be a bit larger which will lower the speedometer reading and odometer reading and will result in a false mile per gallon number.

I know you have reviewed or mentioned a few scan tools and other testers in the past. Have you ever heard of the company Topdon? I see ads all over Facebook and YouTube.

I have seen the ads as well and recently was contacted by the company and in the near future will be testing out a Bluetooth code reader/scanner and a battery tester. Their products seem pretty impressive, time will tell, so stay tuned.

My wife and I purchased a brand-new Subaru Forester back in April of 2019. The vehicle is full of bells and whistles, sun/moon, roof all-wheel drive and so forth. My wife likes the vehicle, but I do not. Here is the problem at hand. The preset buttons on the infotainment system never stay set, no matter how many times I reset them. The vehicle's battery was checked and is good. There were a few recalls on this car (matters taken care of), but nothing related to the radio. I mentioned it to the service technicians at the dealership and I wrote to the corporate office with no results. My wife said, just forget about it and dial the FM stations as needed. I said, if it came as a package with the car and we paid for it then it should be repaired/fixed or replaced. I have searched the web and other owners of the same model have the same problem. Some have been corrected or replaced.

Earlier models had this exact problem, and it was solved with a software update. At this point I would want the dealer to check that all software is up to date. There are about a dozen bulletins about the infotainment system on this car, but at least the ones that I have access to do not address memory issues. The other issue that has been plaguing some Subaru infotainment system is the touch screen becomes delaminated and causes odd control issues with the radio. I would start with checking the power and ground to the radio and would like to see the software is up to date. If not, chances are the radio control (head unit/display) will need replacement.

I have a 2020 Honda CRV (Touring). The question I have is regarding temperature gauge. Once the car warms up the gauge sits halfway while driving, but when I sit in park, the gauge goes down in temperature towards the cold marking. Is this normal fluctuation?

In most engines once they come up to temperature, they tend to stay at that temperature using a combination of the thermostat and cooling fan. For some Honda models, they tend to cool a bit when sitting and return to the normal zone when on the road. I would consider it normal.

I have a 2016 Subaru Forester. Recently, the GPS stopped working, and I hardly used it. I do not want to bring it to a dealership. Do you know of any place I can bring it to that can fix it for me?

Any auto stereo store should be able to help with this although depending on what is wrong a complete replacement may be cheaper than repairing what you have. The other issue may be the Subaru Starlink System. If it ran on the older 3G cellular network there is nothing you can do other than upgrade the system, at your expense.

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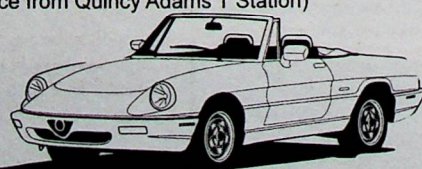
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In 2017 I bought a new Chevrolet Silverado with the V-8 engine and 8-speed transmission. Within a year, the transmission started to "bang" and "thud" when slowing and stopping. The frequency of this increased with more miles on the truck. At 30,000 miles, the Chevy dealer drained and refilled transmission with Mobile One "blue" at no charge. This has lessened the occurrence but not eliminated the bang and thud. The Chevy dealers' service department will flush and refill for \$311.00 if I want to give that a try. An internet query reveals numerous problems with these GM 8-speed transmissions and why hasn't GM ordered a recall to install new transmissions?

The 8-speed transmission has been quite problematic with shift quality the bang and thud as well as a slight vibration is pretty characteristic of the transmission that being said it does seem to last a long time with owners reporting more than 200,000 miles without any repairs. This is most likely the reason that Chevrolet has not come up with a replacement plan. It would not be a typical recall because the transmission is still operational and does not affect the safety of the vehicle again, I would continue to work with the dealer. Let them do the fluid flush if they feel it is worthwhile and also check to see whether there's any software changes that will improve the shift quality. Later model vehicles are using a 10-speed transmission that has been jointly developed with Ford, time will tell if it is better.

On 12/15/23 I purchased a 2017 Ford Explorer with 70,000 miles and on 1/17/24 the engine started making bad knocking banging sounds and stalled out. I did not try to restart, but rather waited until it cooled and found no oil on the dipstick. Could the engine be blown? Is the vehicle salvageable? I was told it spun something. What could this be other than no lubrication?

The engine in the Ford Explorer has had some issues, but typically at much higher mileage. The idea it had little or no oil in the engine after a little more than 30 days is certainly a problem. At this point, the engine needs to be completely inspected to find the cause of the failure. I suspect the timing chain may have failed which resulted in the knocking banging sound. I assume there is no warranty. At this point a used engine may be the best solution to get your Explorer back on the road.

Can you please explain how the dashboard feature of telling me the tire pressure works? Are the readings that are displayed on the dash cluster accurate? My tire pressure gauge and the car's reading never seem to match up. Also, can you recommend a good tire gauge? I have four of them, and I get a slightly different reading from each one.

The direct style pressure sensor uses a pressure sensor transmitter/transducer built into the valve stem that sends information to the on-board computer. These systems are typically pretty accurate, powered by a non-replaceable battery with about a 7-10-year life. Regarding tire gauges, a quality pencil gauge from Dill/Milton/Ingersol Rand are usually accurate within one PSI. Some digital gauges and dial gauges do a little better at 1.5 percent accuracy which on a tire that uses 35 PSI is about 1/2 pound. The fluid filled gauges are very accurate. But for typical vehicle use almost any gauge that is accurate to 1 PSI is fine. Now if it were aircraft, racing (bikes/motorcycles/cars) or other extremely critical needs then a fluid filled or digital gauge that is periodically checked with a "master gauge" is what you would want. Overall, I have found the TPMS sensor, and a quality gauge agreed within one PSI. Even though a TPMS can deliver accurate alerts when properly maintained, it is not a replacement for manual air pressure checks, which you should do monthly.

I have a 2017 Hyundai Tucson which I originally leased and then purchased in 2020, and presently only has a little less than 19,000 miles. I recently brought it to a local Firestone store for an oil change and tire rotation, and to have one of the tires checked as the pressure was low. They were not able to find any leaks and brought all the tires up to correct pressure (a couple of them were less than 30). I was told that since the tires are six years old, I should consider getting new tires as there may be cracks in these tires and that is why the pressure is low. I've been driving the vehicle now a few weeks since then and, even with the bitter cold weather and the vehicle not being garaged, the tire pressure is consistently at least 37 pounds of air. Do you really think I need to replace the tires at this time or was the guy at Firestone just wanting to make a sale?

I suspect a combination of both, the cracking is not likely causing the pressure loss but is a sign of aging. Most experts believe that tires should be replaced at 6-10 years. As an example, we have a 2015 VW. When the car was about six

years old the tires were cracking and although the tread was good, I didn't want an issue and replaced the tires. Additionally, it is normal for a tire to lose about 1 PSI for every 10 degrees in temperature change and will lose a pound or two per month. At this point I would get a second opinion on the tires and if badly cracking replace them.

I heard you talking about a Nokian tire for all weather conditions on your podcast. What makes these so much different that the all-season/all-terrain tires I have on my Ford Explorer now?

I think you may be referring to Nokian's Tires called the Remedy. Although I have not tested them, the results I have seen are quite impressive. Unlike standard all-season tires, all weather tires like the Nokian Remedy feature the three-peak mountain snowflake, which indicates they are government-rated for use in wintry conditions. While all-season tires become less effective in temperatures below 45 degrees, all-weather tires are engineered to remain responsive to the road in cold, snowy conditions.

I recently had a starter replaced on a 2007 Honda Civic LX. The starter works fine, but now I noticed after starting the car idles smooth for a minute and then I feel a slight rough idle. Could this be caused by the starter bolts not being tightened properly? There is no check engine light on.

I suspect the problem is that to remove the starter you need to remove the front exhaust pipe. The exhaust pipe has two springs that hold the pipe to the manifold but also allow for some slight movement when the engine is running. The exhaust pipe may be just tight enough that the normal engine vibration is being transmitted into the car. Over time the exhaust pipe may settle in place and the vibration may subside. I would give it a couple of weeks of normal driving and if you still feel the vibration have the shop reevaluate the car.

I am having a heck of a time with frozen doors and door locks. Do you have any suggestions? It is an old car that is locked with a key.

Start with using soap and water to clean the rubber gaskets around the door and the mating surface where the doors contact the body of the car. After you completely dry everything, then use silicone spray applied to the surfaces directly to the gaskets or sprayed on a cloth and wiped around the door/gaskets. The silicone will help displace any water and prevent freezing. The same spray can be used around the door handles and sprayed it to the lock opening. If you are still locked out try all the doors, never yank on a handle, but push in on the door (light hip check) to crack the frozen seal. Warm water should be a last resort (spray deicer may work) but keep in mind you are adding more water than can refreeze.

On these frigid days, how long should I warm up my car? I have a neighbor who warms up her car for 20-30 minutes on really freezing days. Is that needed?

Today's cars with fuel injection and multi-viscosity oil require very little warm up time. My suggestion is to start the car, get settled in, adjust the heater, seat belt, radio and then drive easily until the car comes up to temperature. Although your neighbor's engine is fully warmed up the other systems in the car are not. Driving nice and easy in cold weather allows all the systems/components to come up to temperature and improve overall longevity.

When driving with doors locked on my 2021 Toyota Corolla, I can pull the inside handle and the door will unlock and open, same with the front passenger door. The rear doors operate differently. Is this normal or is something wrong?

According to the owner's manual of this vehicle this is perfectly normal and how the locks are designed. The rear doors have child safe locks that can be engaged so that when the doors are unlocked still can only be opened from the outside.

I have a 2018 Lincoln MKX Premiere with 70,000 miles. The car always had a nice ride to it. At about 65,000 miles I started to notice that the car started to rock from side to side when going over some uneven surfaces. I have been driving for over 50 years and was a car and truck mechanic for 40 years and never felt anything

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like this. The car can rock so badly that the steering wheel starts to shake which makes things even worse. I have not brought it to the dealer yet because one it is hard to explain and two, I want to find a place on the road near the dealer so that they can road test it to see what I am talking about. The tires are properly inflated, and I do not see any leaking shocks or excessive bounce. I was wondering if this could be a computer control issue and if you have ever heard of anything like this.

This is a pretty complicated system that takes height reading continuously at all four wheels and the only way to check for issues is with a Ford scan tool or equivalent. And I absolutely agree I would want to demonstrate to a technician the issue to prevent unnecessary repairs. As you pointed out it is unlikely it is a strut or spring based on bouncing on the car and looking at ride height. Still, I would want to cover all the basics, looking for worn parts or even a possible tire issue. Once the car is mechanically verified, then I would be looking at the computer and sensors.

I am writing to you because my daughter's car has experienced damage about three or four times in the last few years from rats crawling into the underside of the car to chew its wires (which apparently are now made of soy). She has tried many measures including peppermint oil, camphor, and mothballs - but still has to get the car repaired due to the rats. I have heard this is a very common issue especially in the city. Do you know if there are any cars on the market today that do not use soy wires - and do you know of any potential solutions to this issue? Any suggestions would be greatly appreciated!

Soy is not the problem (it is not food quality) - it is the rat population. Now non-soy wiring may not taste good, but the damage still happens and has happened for decades. Rats and mice chew on things because their teeth are always growing, and a warm engine compartment provides a nice home. As for cars without soy components, I do not believe there are any. Honda, in the past, has recommended a wire tape that is impregnated with capsaicin-hot pepper that is supposed to prevent damage, perhaps worth a try.

I have a 2007 Chevy Impala and I am getting code P0751 "Solenoid "A" open." I have added the Lucas Transmission fluid that says that it will help unstuck the solenoid. It did seem to work but I still have the code. Assuming that there is room in the transmission for another bottle of the Lucas; do I add a second bottle, or do I bite the bullet and have my mechanic replace both the A and B solenoids?

Based on the code and your description I would say the solenoid is sticking or has an open winding. As for adding more additives, if a little is good more must be better would not apply here. I would test/replace the solenoids. The side cover and pan will need to come off so there is some labor involved.

Can a key-fob really be hacked? I saw something on YouTube, and it seems as if someone with a hacker tool that looks like a child's toy can hack a key-fob.

New cars use rolling codes. When you unlock the car, the code changes. So even if the hacker copied the code, it would not work after the car was started. Older cars with alarm remotes would be possible but not newer cars.

Lately we have been having problems with the push button start on our 2015 Honda CRV. When trying to start the car I push down the brake and press the start button, but it does not start. All the dashboard lights come on, but no start. I hit the start button again to shut everything down and try again. This can happen 2-3 times but sometimes it just starts like it should. Is it the switch, key-fob, or something else?

The first place to start is with a check of the battery and battery cable connections. A weak battery or poor connections could be the problem. A weak key-fob battery will usually show a message on the instrument panel. Although not common, the push button switch itself could be an issue. With the average life of a battery at five years and your Honda is now nine years old you may be ready for your second or third battery.

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On Sunday, March 10, at approximately 8 a.m., Officers Clark and Doherty and Sergeant DesRoche responded to a business on Franklin Street for a report of a male trying to enter a business. They located a male at the bus stop who fit the exact description provided by the caller to the dispatcher.

A female at the bus stop told the officers that the male kept asking her about her bag of groceries and was acting erratically. Sergeant DesRoche went and spoke to the caller. The caller reported that the suspect entered his vehicle, attempted to get into another vehicle and then attempted to enter a building nearby.

Sergeant DesRoche conducted a shop up identification, reading instructions to the victim. The victim confirmed that the male was the suspect who was inside of his vehicle. The male was placed under arrest and transported to Quincy Police Headquarters. The suspect was extremely uncooperative during booking, fighting with the Officers in the booby area. He was charged with breaking and entering to a motor vehicle in the daytime for a felony, attempting to commit a crime - breaking and entering (two counts) and knowingly resisting arrest. He was later arraigned in Quincy District Court.

Job Well Done!

On Monday, March 11, at approximately 2:35 p.m., Officers Callanan, Tervakoski and Crowley were dispatched to Starbucks on Hancock Street for a report of a customer threatening another customer with a knife.

On arrival, Officer Callanan immediately encountered a male at the front door. The male quickly asked why Officer Callanan was there and stated nothing happened. The male fit the description provided by the caller, which was confirmed with dispatch. The male was handcuffed and detained as he became uncooperative, tensing up and kicking his backpack.

A knife with a six-inch blade was removed from the pocket of his shorts. Officers spoke to both the victim and a witness. Both reported that the suspect sat next to the victim who was working on his computer and was demanding

A Job Well Done

By OFFICER GREGG HARTNETT
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the victim delete things from his laptop. When the victim responded that he didn't know what the suspect was talking about, the suspect abruptly pulled out a knife and began

closely pointing it at the victim.

The suspect was arrested, transported to Quincy Police Headquarters by Officer Crowley. He was booked by Sergeant Gerry Connolly. The male was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon to wit a knife and disorderly conduct. He was later arraigned at Quincy District Court.

Due to the immediate call to the police, providing a detailed description and the quick response of the officers, the suspect was taken into custody.

Job Well Done!



QUINCY POLICE Bicycle Unit assisted with Sunday's Saint Patrick's Day Parade in South Boston. The annual parade drew thousands of spectators along the route beginning at the Broadway MBTA stop, proceeding down West Broadway then East Broadway before turning back west and ending at Andrew Square. *Courtesy Photo*

QUINCY POLICE CRIME AWARENESS JOURNAL

Entries submitted by the Quincy Police Department

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

LARCENY (money), 1:17 p.m., Quincy Credit Union, 100 Quincy Ave. Regarding an auto loan. Reporting person will report online.

SHOPLIFT (male and female), 2:07 p.m., Walgreen Pharmacy, 418 Quincy Ave. Merchandise recovered, suspect identified, issued a trespass notice and sent on the way. Advised.

LARCENY (packages), 4:10 p.m., 100 block of Garfield Street. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 6:02 p.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Suspect identified, issued a trespass notice and sent on the way.

SHOPLIFT, 7:51 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Store to handle, case number provided.

WORKING FIRE (kitchen fire), 9:02 p.m., 40 Bloomfield St. Caller reports smoke and fire. QFD extinguished fire, no reported injuries.

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

DISORDER (in progress), 12:51 a.m., Cathay Pacific, 111 Hancock St. Disturbance radioed in by detail officer Leuchte. One person involved fled. Large crowd in restaurant. Area cruiser to assist Detail Officer until the lounge clears out.

SHOPLIFT (one detained), 11:08 a.m., TJ Maxx, 100 Granite St. Suspect identified, issued a trespass notice and sent on the way.

DISORDER (female), 12:40 p.m., 1 Chestnut Place. Yelling about her vehicle being towed. Peace restored.

SHOPLIFT (just occurred), 2:33 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Merchandise recovered, store to handle.

LARCENY (phone), 3:18 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (female), 4:45 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Suspect issued a trespass notice and was sent on the way.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/ATTEMPT (back door), 5 p.m., Great Chow, 17 Beale St. Case number provided. No entry made and no damage.

SHOPLIFT (past), CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Case number provided. Unsure what was taken. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 6:39 p.m., Walgreen Pharmacy, 550 Adams St. Case number provided and report to be filed.

UNARMED ROBBERY (male), 11:09 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. One under arrest for unarmed robbery and resisting arrest. Report to be filed.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (male), 7:56 a.m., 20 block of Franklin Street. Arrest made - arrested and charged with breaking and entering a motor vehicle in the daytime for a felony, attempted to commit a crime (breaking and entering), two counts of knowingly resisting arrest. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (check out), 11:54 a.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Arguing over price and self check-out. Customer arguing with receipt checker. Peace was restored prior to the officers' arrival. Customer sent on the way.

SHOPLIFT (past), 3:03 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 3:42 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Merchandise recovered. The store will call if suspect returns. Store to handle.

LARCENY (cell phone), 11:26 p.m., Kincaide Park, 334 Water St. Report filed.

MONDAY, MARCH 11

DISORDER, 9:54 a.m., Pond Street Playground, 50 Pond St. Verbal argument, peace restored. All involved sent on the way.

SHOPLIFT (males), 6:31 p.m., Hancock Market, 1520 Hancock St. Suspect arrested for shoplifting, also had two outstanding warrants. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/ATTEMPT (residence), 6:42 p.m., low numbers of Hodges Avenue. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 11 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Suspect arrested for shoplifting, resisting arrest, aggravated shoplifting, assault and battery on a police officer (two counts), disorderly person and trafficking methamphetamine. Report to be filed.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

SHOPLIFT (male shoplift), 11:02 a.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Suspect trying to steal power tools. Detained, identified, trespassed and sent on the way.

SHOPLIFT (male), 11:29 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. All merchandise recovered, store to handle.

DISORDER (flagged down), 12:31 p.m., 99 Ranch Market, 475 Hancock St. Peace restored.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (front lawn), 12:48 p.m., Sonoma Road. Tire tracks, front lawn all dug up. Advised. Provided case number.

LARCENY (stolen coat), 5 p.m., Orangetheory Fitness, 25 Chestnut St. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 5:27 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Suspects fled. Store provided with incident number.

SHOPLIFT (two suspects), 7:47 p.m., TJ Maxx, 100

Granite St. Two suspects stole a cart full of merchandise. Store got merchandise back. Suspects gone on arrival. Store to handle.

SHOPLIFT, 9:50 p.m., Walgreen Pharmacy, 132 Granite St. Suspect fled, store recovered most of the merchandise. Store to handle.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

DISORDER (in progress), 12:40 a.m., 227 Parking-way. Language barrier, possible motor vehicle crash. No motor vehicle crash. Friends arguing. Peace restored.

SHOPLIFT (watching), 11:40 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Store to handle. Suspect sent on the way.

SHOPLIFT (detained), 12:18 p.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Suspect identified, issued a trespass and sent on the way.

LARCENY (checks), 12:47 p.m., Hillsboro Street. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (over sandwich), 5:05 p.m., McDonald's, 275 Hancock St. Customer refusing to leave, arguing with staff that he did not get the right amount of sandwiches. Customer left prior to officers' arrival.

DISORDER (neighbors), 6 p.m., 200 block of Manet Avenue. Neighbor issue, all advised and sent on way to their own houses. Peace restored.

SHOPLIFT (past), 8:10 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Report to be filed.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

DISORDER (in progress), 12:50 a.m., Wendy's Restaurant, 191 Newport Ave. Group fighting. Argument over ear pods. All advised and sent on the way. Peace restored.

SHOPLIFT (fled store), 4:17 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Suspect was identified, issued a trespass notice and sent on the way.

LARCENY (cell phone), 8:40 a.m., Fratellis, 25 Broad St. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (leaving store), 10 a.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Merchandise recovered. The suspect was a repeat offender and was identified using video surveillance summonsed to court for shoplifting. Report to be filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (car), 11:53 p.m., 30 block of Walnut Street. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 3:01 p.m., 40 block of Ratchford Street. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (female in the store), 4:03 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 65 Newport Ave. All items returned. Store to handle.

SHOPLIFT (male), 4:57 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Suspect fled. Store to handle.

Selecting The Right Potting Mix For Your Plantings

By **MELINDA MYERS**

As gardeners, it seems we are all looking for an ideal potting mix for our houseplants and containers. As with any gardening endeavor, a lot depends on what is available, the plants you are growing, and the type of maintenance you provide.

That said, there are some things you can do to increase your success and reduce ongoing maintenance. It all starts by reviewing the label on the bag you plan to purchase. You'll find a variety of bags labeled as planting mix, potting mix, container mix, and more. Check the label to see what the bag contains and recommendations for its use.

These mixes usually contain inorganic and organic materials and may also include sand and mineral soil. They may or may not be sterilized to kill weed seeds and pests. If it doesn't say sterilized, it probably is not, and you should consider another product instead.

Many potting mixes are labeled as "soiless." They consist of peat moss, sphagnum moss, and compost for moisture retention and vermiculite or perlite for drainage but do not contain mineral soils such as sand or clay. They are lightweight and blended to hold moisture while draining well.

Some potting mixes are modified to accommodate the needs of certain plants. Orchid mixes often contain more bark for better aeration while cacti and succulent mixes have more sand or perlite for better drainage. African Violet potting mix contains more organic matter to create a moist, rich growing medium.

Organic potting mixes are also available. Many gardeners prefer to know the ingredients are free of pesticides and other contaminants. Check for the word organic and OMRI on the label if you want an organic product.

Once again, check the label on the bag for more details on the potting mix.

Some potting mixes contain a "starter charge" of fertilizer. This minimal amount of fertilizer is usually gone after two or three waterings. Some include additional fertilizer that provides small amounts of nutrients over a longer period. The label may say controlled-release, time-release, or slow-release fertilizer, meaning it provides your plants with nutrients for a certain amount of time.

Moisture retaining products are supposed to hold water near plant roots and reduce the frequency of watering. Research has not shown them to be effective. Some gardeners feel they are effective while others end up with root rot when using these.

Consider adding an organic product, like Wild Valley Farms wool pellets (wildvalleyfarms.com) to potting mixes that do not contain moisture-retaining products. It is sustainable, made from wool waste, University-tested, and has been shown to reduce watering by up to twenty percent, while also increasing air space and adding organic matter.

Select bags of potting mix that are light, fluffy, and moist. Avoid bags that are waterlogged and heavy. The mix can break down and become compacted and some of the slow-release fertilizer may be pre-released and damage young seedlings when saturated with water.

Spend a bit of time searching for the potting mix that best matches the plants you are growing and your watering regime. The time spent selecting your perfect potting mix will pay

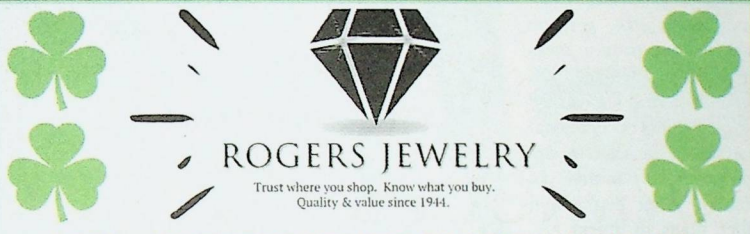


THE RIGHT POTTING mix will help ornamental and edible plants thrive.

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off with greater growing success.

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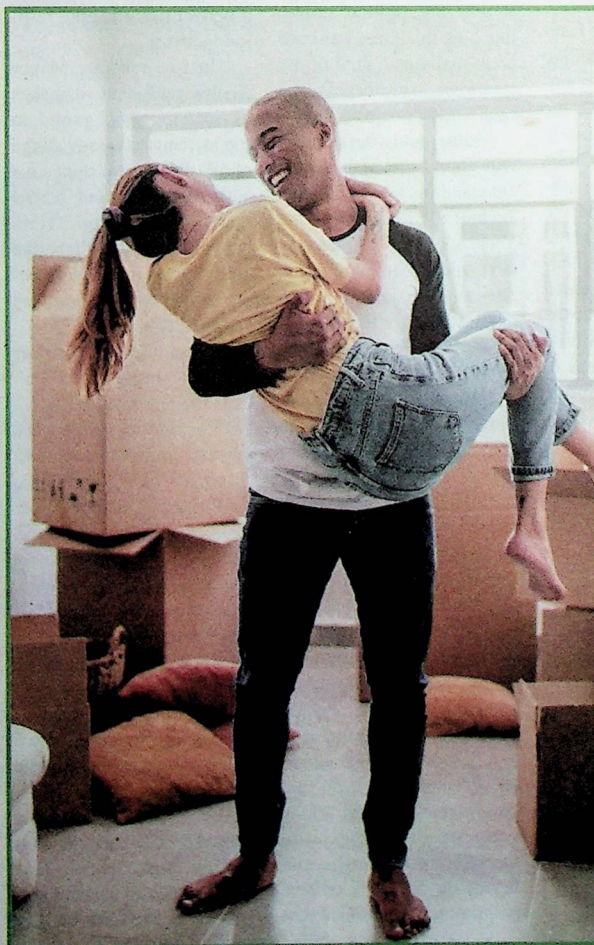
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Kimi Vallee Outstanding Tech Student Of The Year

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"These students not only represent the 1,300-plus vocational students in our district, but they represent the very best of career and vocational technical education in Quincy," said Keith Segalla, the district's executive director of career, vocational and technical education. "We are certainly very, very proud of each of them."

Vallee, a graduate of Quincy Catholic Academy, said she chose to major in fashion technology at Quincy High School because she had been interested in it from an early age.

"Studying fashion has been my long-term dream ever since I was six years old," she said. "Sewing always came very naturally to me, and fashion gave me a way to express myself and explore my creativity."

While at Quincy High School, Vallee said learned skills like sketching, draping, visual arts, garment construction, pattern making, public speaking and leadership. She has earned career safe and occupational proficiency in fashion design certificates through the program. After graduation, Vallee plans to attend ES-MOD in Paris, where she will study fashion design.

During her presentation, Vallee showcased her "Save the Industry" dress made out of plastic Shein bags that she collected.

"In my presentation today, I kind of want to explain the message behind this dress as well as kind of the construction to show you what was going through my mind...while creating this dress," Vallee said.

"Sustainability, why is it important in fashion? Because fashion industries all over the world are always creating so much waste — and that is something we should really be worried about, such as this company, Shein. I don't know if any of you have heard of it, but if you haven't, it is a fast-fashion company based in China and they give every single one of their products in a separate plastic bag.



KIMI VALLEE poses with a dress she made out of Shein plastic bags, which she highlighted during the March 6 school board meeting. The dress has been shown at four separate fashion shows, including Quincy High School annual show in 2022 (photo at right). Vallee plans to present a six- or eight-piece collection at this year's QHS fashion show. A fashion technology major at Quincy High School Quincy High School, she was recently honored as the Quincy Public Schools' Outstanding Vocational Technical Student of the Year during the March 6 meeting of the School Committee.

Every little shirt, every little skirt, they're all in different bags."

"It just kind of shows and spreads the message that the fashion industry has a lot of waste," Vallee added, "and a lot of plastic coming out of it and we should really care about it to fix some of the sustainability and really get people to know the damage that is being done."

While the dress was made out of plastic bags, Vallee said she was able to use the same techniques that are used with traditional fabric. The dress also includes tissue paper, which she said provides pops of color and also keeps the

dress from being totally see-through. Vallee pointed out the dress's long train in the back and a corset, bodice-like top.

The dress has been presented at four separate fashion shows to date, including Quincy High School's annual fashion show in 2022, the Giving the Glam Fashion Show Fundraiser in 2022, the Style in the Mill Fashion Show in 2023, and the ninth annual New England Fashion Show in 2023. Vallee said she also presented a six-piece collection at the Quincy High School fashion show last year and plans to present a six- or eight-piece collection at this year's fashion

show, which will have a Star Wars theme.

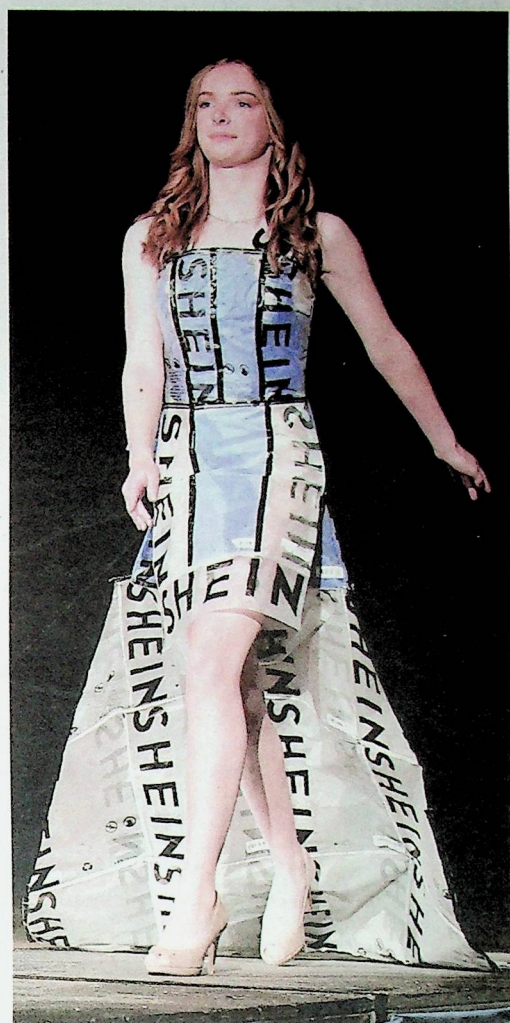
"I love doing themes and things like that and being able to show them off at amazing fashion shows, like how this dress has been seen, really gets kind of my creations out there," she said.

Vallee and her family will attend the 38th annual Outstanding Vocational Technical Student of the Year Awards Ceremony next month in Worcester. She will be joined by 56 other students from school districts across Massachusetts.

Following the presentation, Mayor Thomas Koch congratulated Vallee and her four fellow finalists.

"We sit up here on a regular basis, we discuss budgets, we discuss MCAS scores, we discuss all types of policies...and sometimes we get caught up in that world, we forget really what it's all about," Koch said.

"Each of you tonight were brilliant, articulate, you knew your subject matter, it's obvious you did your homework, and I think you're all in for a great future. Certainly as one member of the School Committee, it brings meaning to the



HERE STUDENT MODEL Celia Cronin wears the dress created with Shein plastic bags designed by Kimi Vallee at the 2022 Quincy High School Fashion Show. Vallee was recently honored as the 2024 Quincy Public Schools' Outstanding Vocational Technical Student of the Year.

Quincy Sun File Photo/Robert Bosworth

work that we do, so congratulations to each of you, and I know you're all going to be very successful."

Tina Cahill, the vice chairperson of the School Committee, said Vallee has a perfect name for the fashion industry.

"Just to reiterate Mayor Koch's sentiment, it makes us so happy and proud to see students take advantage of all of the great things we have to offer in our school system," Cahill said. "Having you here to highlight that really shows us the work being done by your teachers and faculty and staff."

Committee member Douglas Gutro called Vallee's dress innovative.

"For my day job, I work for the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and we have grants that we give to stimulate recycling for business and industries," Gutro said. "I have not seen anything as innovative as that, so kudos to you, and I hope you bring that to the fashion industry."

The four other finalists for the Outstanding Vocational Technical Student of the Year award were: Kaitlyn Sampson, an early education and care major at Quincy High School; Tina Cao, a health care technology major at North Quincy

High School; Katherine Ramos, a film and television production major at Quincy High School; and Isabelle Hogan, a plumbing technology major at Quincy High School.

Each of those students gave a presentation to the School Committee showcasing their work in their chosen field.

Sampson showed a snowball project she used while teaching younger students. Cao demonstrated how to use an electrocardiogram. Ramos played a video she produced that encourages her fellow students to properly dispose of waste. Hogan played a video in which she discussed the different materials and connections used in plumbing.

To be eligible for the award, a student must have a GPA of 3.5 or above and must also have work experience related to their chosen field, participate in extra-curricular activities, and be involved in the community. Career and technology instructors nominated students for the award and a screening panel identified nine semifinalists. The semifinalists were then interviewed by members of the Quincy School-Community Partnership, who determined the winner and the runners up.

Explore Christ's Church Old Churchyard Tour Saturday

The Department of Natural Resources Environmental Treasures Program is hosting a free tour Saturday, March 23 at 10 a.m.

Entitled "Exploring Christ's Church and its Old Churchyard: Fascinating Stories of Loyalists, a Slave and Louisa Catherine Adams," the tour will include a lecture by The Reverend Clifford Brown, Rector of

Christ's Church, music led by Marcus Johnson, baritone, pianist and organist, a surprise treat in the Parish Hall and an optional visit to the old churchyard, including the opening of a crypt!

The main part of the program in the church is wheelchair accessible.

Registration is required. To register email sown@quincyma.gov indicating the number of people you wish to register. Meeting place and program details will be provided upon registration.

The Environmental Treasures Program offers free monthly guided walks in Quincy. To receive monthly email notices of upcoming tours, send a request to sown@quincyma.gov.

Shamrock Splash Raises \$55,000 For Beach Programs

On Sunday, March 10th the clouds parted and the sun shone brightly on over 200 splashers, dashers and spectators at the 14th Annual JetBlue Shamrock Splash on East Boston's Constitution Beach. All together, the event raised \$55,000 to support Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Better Beaches Program partnership with the Department of Conservation & Recreation, including at least \$6,414 for Quincy events and programs.

"On behalf of my colleagues at the State including our MBC Co-Chairs Senator Brendan Crighton and Rep. Adrian Madaro, I want to thank all of the splashers and fundraisers for your effort to support our beaches and community," said Rep. Jessica Giannino, who was also participating in her fourth consecutive cold water plunge with Save the Harbor. "We might have to sacrifice a bit of our comfort jumping into the 39 degree water, but it's well worth it to have amazing programming on our beaches for our youth, seniors, families and everyone to enjoy all summer long."

Kennedy Elsey from "Karson and Kennedy" on Mix 104.1 was the event MC for the 14th year in a row. She and JetBlue's Donnie Todd judged the always popular costume contest, with winners Josette Williams from Dorchester (as a "Sea Goddess") and Ohana New England Dragon Boat Team (in "Dragon Boat" team costume) each taking home a coveted round trip JetBlue flight as their prize. In total, six JetBlue flights were up for grabs for biggest fundraiser and biggest team as well as a raffle for anyone

who raised over \$100.

"This event would simply not be possible or as fun without our friends and title sponsors at JetBlue, or our event sponsors at Tito's Handmade Vodka, Dorchester Brewing Company, Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel, and FMC Ice Sports," said Save the Harbor Executive Director, Chris Mancini. "I'm so grateful to the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Healey/Driscoll administration for their important annual investment in the Better Beaches Grant Program and free beach events all summer long."

Mancini also thanked Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, the Blue Sky Collaborative, Boston Consulting Group, Calamari Fisheries, Coast Cannabis, Comcast, David Nardella, EveryDejaVu, Harpoon Brewery, NamaStay Sober, Voloo Sports, Income Research + Management, Izotope, Jeff Reagan, John Murphy, Kennedy Elsey, Mix 104.1, National Grid, P&G Gillette, the Richard Saltonstall Charitable Foundation, Topo Chico, and Vertex Pharmaceuticals, the Boston Centers for Youth & Families, the YMCA of Greater Boston, Youth Enrichment Services (YES) and the hundreds of people who took part in the JetBlue Shamrock Splash for their support.

Proceeds from this year's Shamrock Splash will be invested in free Better Beaches events and programs on the metropolitan region's public beaches in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy, and Hull. In 2023,



WITH TEMPERATURES HITTING a balmy 50 degrees outside March 10, hundreds of splashers cooled off in the 39 degree water of Boston Harbor to raise money for free kids and family programs all summer long.



COSTUME CONTEST FINALISTS, judged by Mix 104.1's Kennedy Elsey and JetBlue's Donnie Todd included Quint from Jaws, a Moose on the Loose and audience applause winners Josette Williams as "Sea Goddess" and Captain Allen Huang with his "Ohana New England Dragon Boat."

this included over 200 free events including Diversity Matters Fest organized by the North Shore Juneteenth Association, the 19th Annual Endless Summer Waterfront Festival hosted by the Hull Nantasket Chamber of Commerce, yoga on Revere Beach hosted by NamaStay Sober, Community Game Nights at the Beach hosted by South Boston en Accion, and more all over our region's beautiful beaches.

More information available at the website www.savetheharbor.org.



SUSAN McPHERSON from the Friends of Wollaston Beach races back out of the water at the Shamrock Splash held March 10th at Constitution Beach, East Boston. Courtesy Photos



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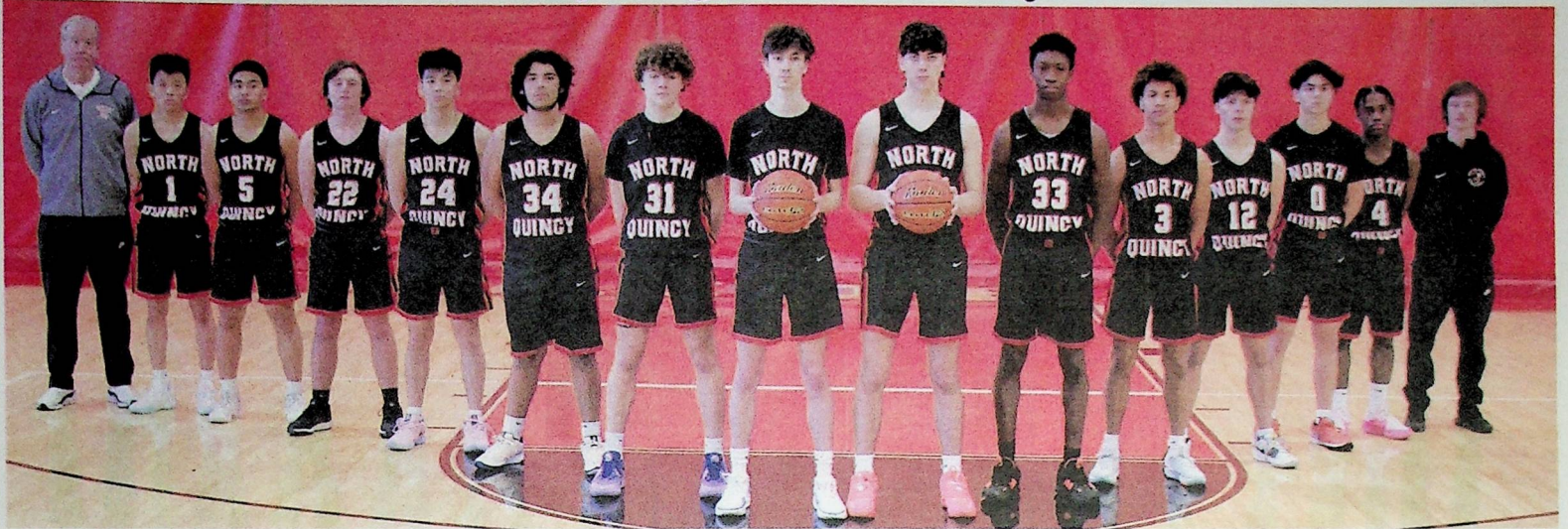
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2023-24 North Quincy High School Boys' Basketball Team



NORTH QUINCY High School boys' varsity basketball team recently wrapped up its season. The Raiders finished the season with a record of 6-14. From left to right: Head Coach Kevin Barrett, Devin Tran, AJ Arrazola, Ben Hudach, Kobe Nguyen, Ray Marcial, Hunter Wood, Jackson Medeiros, Charlie Baker, John Gnau, Marques Rodrigues-Smith, Will Conley, Danny Wilton, Aiden Burris, Dan Hudach.

Courtesy Photo

Council Commends Quincy High Girls' Basketball Team



BY SCOTT JACKSON

City councillors on Monday commended the Quincy High School girls' basketball team, recognizing the squad's accomplishments on and off the court.

Councillor Scott Campbell presented commendations to the team's players and coach Sarah Conlon on Monday evening. Players are junior captain Niamh Gendron, junior Kyrie Blue, freshman Rory Kennedy, sophomore Taylor Mann, junior Jayden Treannie, junior Ella Roche, freshman Frankie Diaz, junior Lilliana Catrambone, freshman Evie Catrambone, senior captain Paige Mann and junior captain Alyssa Hopps.

The Presidents went 17-3 during the regular season, repeating as champions of the Patriot League, and advanced to the Sweet 16 of the state tournament. Junior forward Alyssa Hopps was named the MVP of the Patriot League for a second year in a row and Hopps, senior guard Paige Mann, junior forward Niamh Gendron

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QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL girls' basketball team was commended by the City Council Monday. The team won the Patriot League with a 17-3 record during the regular season and advanced to the Sweet 16 of the state tournament. They also won the league award for sportsmanship. Players are junior captain Niamh Gendron, junior Kyrie Blue, freshman Rory Kennedy, sophomore Taylor Mann, junior Jayden Treannie, junior Ella Roche, freshman Frankie Diaz, junior Lilliana Catrambone, freshman Evie Catrambone, senior captain Paige Mann and junior captain Alyssa Hopps. Head coach is Sarah Conlon.

Quincy Sun Photo/Scott Jackson

QNC Track Athletes Shine At Final Meets

Quincy-North Quincy track and field athletes shined as they recently wrapped up the indoor season.

At the New Balance Nationals shuttling between

the Reggie Lewis Center in Roxbury and The TRACK at New Balance in Brighton. History was made as North Quincy Senior Aluna Coogan-Coyne broke the magical five-minute mile

clocking a 4:59.10, the first time a girl from Quincy has broke that barrier. Coogan-Coyne also ran on two relays. She teamed up with Sofija Slezas, Maddy McGillicuddy and Salma Boukhtam to run a season best 4:15 in the Sprint Medley Relay (200-200-400-800) winning their heat. The race was highlighted by a last to first leg by anchor Salma Boukhtam. She then led off the 4 x 800 Relay to a 9:49 with McGillicuddy, Boukhtam and Hannah Moriarty.

At the NIKE Nationals held at the 168th Street Armory in Manhattan, Jayden Francois advanced to the semi-finals of the 55m hurdles with a PR 8.68 finishing 19th over all out of a field of 82.



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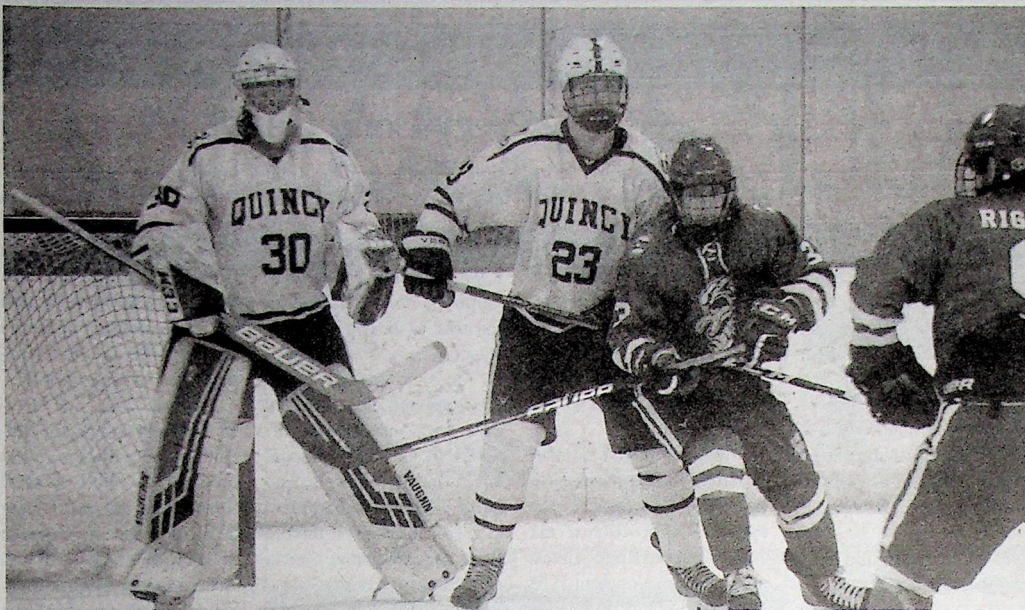
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GRANITE GOALIE Asher Wines (Quincy, MA) had a strong AAU Division 3 tournament and got plenty of help from his defense including Matthew O'Connell (Hull, MA).



FORWARD NOAH KEARNEY (Quincy, MA) collected three goals and an assist during Quincy College's AAU Division 3 tournament run.

QC Hockey Postseason Run 'An Awesome Experience'

Ralph Waldo Emerson famously said, "It's not the destination -- it's the journey." For the Quincy College men's hockey team, it was actually both.

The Granite's 2023-24 journey featured a first-place finish in the New England Independent Hockey Conference (NEIHC), a number-seven national ranking in AAU Division 3, and a destination trip to the D-3 championship tournament. Although their season came to a close on March 12 in West Chester, PA, with a semifinal-round loss to Florida Southern College, the chance to compete for -- and be one win away from -- a national title is something coaches, players and their families will long remember.

"Just an awesome experience," said Granite co-head coach Matt Gibbons of the extended road trip to suburban Philadelphia. "By the time we got to the tournament we were playing our

most complete hockey. So the players understood the opportunity that was in front of them and played hard. We treated it as a business trip, but all of us also took time to savor the moment."

Co-head coach Kyle Robertson agreed that, throughout what became a challenging stretch of four games in four days, the Granite kept focused. "We knew what we were there for and showed we belonged," he said, "against some very strong competition."

It required overtime, but the Granite dispatched its first-round opponent, Kenesaw State University -- a Georgia school with more than 40,000 students -- 6-5, on a goal by Aidan Flynn (Braintree, MA) just 15 seconds into the extra period. The following day, a pair of goals from Noah Kearney and 41 saves by goalie Asher Wines (both from Quincy) produced a 5-2 win over Florida Southern. Facing Alvernia College, and a

with a berth in the semis on the line, the Granite raced out to a 3-0 lead en route to a 4-1 win, paced by goals from Matthew O'Connell (Hull, MA) and Jeremy Souza and Aidan Flynn (both from Braintree, MA).

The complexities of tournament pool play meant the Granite would need to get past Florida Southern a second time to reach the title game, but the magic ran out in a 3-1 loss to the Moccasins. Quincy's Joe Hennessy had the Granite's lone tally.

"Everyone in the [dressing] room was really disappointed," said Quincy's Robbie Cameron, the two-year team captain. "We spent all year competing for the ultimate goal and we knew once we got [to the tournament] that we could make some noise. We fell short but it was such a great experience. There was a lot of pride in representing the college and the city. I'll never forget that group of guys."



CAPTAIN ROBBIE CAMERON (Quincy, MA) was a leader for the Granite both on and off the ice.

Winning a conference title, qualifying for a national tournament and then advancing all the way to the semifinals is quite an accomplishment for a program in just its second year of existence. The coaches certainly appreciate all that

it means for the future.

"Obviously, this helps put us on the map," Gibbons said. "More people see that Quincy College has a very competitive program and we combine that with all kinds of educational opportunities. It's amazing to

think that at this time two years ago, we didn't even have a team but our goal was always to play for a national championship. And credit goes to all the players from our first two seasons for getting us there."

Quincy Point Congregational Church

Palm to Passion Sunday is here. This Sunday at 10 a.m. worship palms will be distributed and there will be a special Reader's Theater presentation of the Passion Story at Quincy Point Congregational Church, 444 Washington St.

Following worship all are also welcome to the downstairs Social hall for coffee, light refreshments and fellowship, hosted by the Diaconate Committee.

QPCC is accessible to all with an elevator on the Abbey Road side of the church and an "all access" restroom. The weekly worship is live streamed at 10 a.m. each Sunday or you can see past services anytime on the church YouTube, Vimeo, Facebook pages or on our website: www.quincypointcong.org. Weekly worship is also re-broadcast on QATV channel 8 on Sundays at 11:30 a.m. and

Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

The Easter Memorial Flower campaign to benefit the Laundry Love mission ends on March 24. Choose lilies, daffodils or tulips (for \$15 a plant) to help adorn the altar in celebration of Jesus' resurrection at 10 a.m. worship on Easter Sunday and then take home the flowers after worship. You can offer a memorial dedication in memory or in honor of a love done that will be distributed also on Easter. The proceeds will benefit The Laundry Love mission that takes place the last Wednesday every month at the Wash-N-Dry, 236 Washington St.

Sign up's for the upcoming BUILD A BED workshop and SNUGGLE Drive have begun. This is the

church's second time sponsoring this mission because we trust in their initiative: Bed for Every Child believes sleep is as essential as food, water, shelter, and clothing. They envision a world where every child has a safe place to rest and dream, and so do we.

The event will take place on May 4, at QPCC at 10:30 a.m. Building teams consist of 3 to 4 builders each team. Only 12 beds will be built. No experience is necessary. Register to build a bed or donate to the "Snuggle" Drive (New twin sized comforters, sheets, pillows, a book and a stuffed animal). Donations are needed just as much as builders.

Sign up required: Web-site below.

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Saturday, March 23
12:00pm: First Lady of Sierra Leone Visit
2:00pm: AM Quincy: LGBTQ Commission

Sunday, March 24
11:30am: Quincy Point Church Good News
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Monday, March 25
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Tuesday, March 26
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Wednesday, March 27
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Wednesday March 27
10:30am: Health Links: Aging Strong

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READERS FORUM

Ever-Growing Tragedy In Gaza Must Be Stopped

As a Jewish resident of Quincy, I am writing to dispute several statements that were made in the February 22 Reader's Forum by Harry Kimball ("Thoughts About the Overall Situation In Gaza").

Yes, the attack by Hamas on October 7 was a horrific massacre of innocent people.

However, the killing of other innocent people (31,000 at least half of whom half were children) is not, and never can be just-

fied. The United Nations' International Humanitarian Law states that civilians cannot be intentionally targeted during a war.

The statement about "So-called Palestinians, if they ever existed" - is simply a falsehood. Palestinians have lived on this land for thousands of years, much of that time alongside Jews and others. The declaration of the State of Israel in 1947 began a lie that there were no people there already. Of course there were.

And, sadly, the government of the newly formed Israel did not "ask the Palestinians to say and help build the country". Rather, in 1948 over 700,000 Palestinians fled to save their lives from Israeli military operations aimed at their villages.

The ever-growing tragedy in Gaza must be stopped. There must be a total cease-fire immediately to save lives and begin to find a just way to move forward.

Anne Meyerson
Quincy

Hold Hamas Accountable For Famine In Gaza

For those not familiar, Hamas is an acronym for Harakat al-Muqawama al-Islamiya and it is an Islamic militant movement founded 37 years ago. Israel is 290 miles by 85 miles, smaller than California and 20 percent of the population. It is but a dot on a map.

I preface with this because it seems too many, especially young people, who have been protesting in support of Hamas have no idea what they are protesting for and debating about.

There is a profound saying, "If Hamas laid down their arms, there would be peace. If Israel laid down their arms, there would be bloodshed."

When Hamas attacked Israel on Oct. 7, Hamas took 240 hostages, and 130 remain held. Babies, women, children, elders, sick and disabled. As Hamas holds the hostages, they are running the clock in the hopes they will receive more global support and pressure on Israel. They have created puppets around the world. What they did not expect when they attacked Israel, was that Israel would come back fighting hard and strong. Hamas got tired and started pleading to the world that their people are starving and dying. They don't care now and never cared. Hamas is using the suffering of Palestinians as pawns. Hamas' disregard for civilians living in Gaza could not be clearer, yet Hamas supporters in Congress and the world refuse to see it - members of Congress like Tlaib and Omar are anti-semites. Students are listening to teachers and social media pound the false narratives, like Israel is Goliath attacking Daveys throughout Gaza, and some even are terrorist sympathizers, including Osama Bin Laden sympathizers.

College and high school students are protesting, and they have no idea what they are protesting about, they have no clue of the history between Israel and Hamas and many don't know about the Holocaust, which in and of itself is shocking. The youth shouting and disrupting streets and campuses don't know that Sharia Law, the laws of Islam, would not permit them to be gay, transgender, or bi-sexual. As one of the greatest crimes and worst sins, the punishment for homosexuality can be burning with fire, stoning and more - but always ultimately death, yet we have LGBTQ protesting in support of Hamas.

Their laws are extreme. I implore readers to ask their young family members and friends what Sharia Law is and what it includes. It's not just that Islamic extremists enforce the discrimination and veiling of women or killing LGBTQ. It's frightening.

Hamas betrayed Palestinians by attacking Israel. It amazes me that people think Israel should stand down, and those same people are not demanding Ukraine stand down. The indoctrination of youth in schools and through social media is alarming and the support of Hamas illustrates the stronghold the agenda-driven media left has over youth today.

Hamas did nothing to protect its people. The civilians are not protected in the tunnels with Hamas. The cowardice of Hamas should make people look at them with disgust.

Civilians in Gaza did not ask for this war and they are unable to revolt against terrorists. They cannot protest. They cannot escape this. They can't block traffic. They cannot even speak against Hamas out of fear of retribution.

So while people like

Claire Fitzmaurice who are begging Congressman Lynch to discuss how US can assist, I think you should consider protesting against the terrorist Hamas and hold them accountable for the famine in Gaza and all the suffering of innocent civilians in Gaza and Israel. And while you're at it, demand the releases of the hostages.

I know you mentioned in your letter that the famine is a result of policies by Hamas, but you included Israel and the US. This is a reckless statement. And, made more so because the US has been sending aid drops to Gaza.

Cindy Lydon
Wollaston

Highlights From Park And Rec Board Meetings

What's news at the public meetings of the Park and Recreation Boards? Both were held on March 4th.

What did I find impressive? That an estimated 29,000 visitors skated on the outdoor rink by Generals Park. I know I went three times and enjoyed it greatly. It looks like I'm not the only one. Next meeting is April 8th (NOT April 1st) 5:30 p.m., Koch complex (in the back, through employee entrance).

Highlights from the Park Board:

Park Department has three Community Preservation Grant requests pending. Will most likely be heard at the April Community Preservation meeting. (The requests are related to pickleball courts, improvements to Ruth Gordon Amphitheater and the Brill Field street hockey rink.)

Board gave approval for department to work with Scout Troop 42 on details around a weekend scouting event (Oct. 11 - 14th) at Pageant Field. Dates are reserved for the Troop, and the department will work on logistics, fire permits, etc.

Forbes Hill: there will be another public meeting. Construction is ongoing. After public meeting, the City will go to bid on basketball and tennis courts. (Tennis court will likely be lined for pickleball too). There will be at most two tennis/pickleball courts so there will not be in influx to the neighborhood). Water line is going in that will result in increased water pressure for the neighborhood.

Faxon Park: Commissioner spent time on Monday over there. There is a lot of opportunity, and a lot of work. Neighborhood wants the main park kept wooded and natural. There will be a picnic pavilion installed in "middle field". In space called "new overlook", aka, "old high school site" they are considering installing multiple pickleball courts, as it is far enough away from all housing to not be a noise issue.

READERS FORUM

A Very Long Game

A slow-motion series of steps over a long period of time always seems to be easier to slip past us than one big outrage. Objections to the latest incremental step distract you from all of those that came before and those earlier memories recede while you focus on the most current.

Most recently a number of letters in this paper have justifiably objected to the approval of a 40-year tax waiver on FoxRock's latest proposed development. The outrage over this give away to the Mayor's favorite donor/developer is quite appropriate as no one in City Hall is offering the same break to the individual taxpayers in Quincy. Indeed, our own tax bills rose 8.3% this year while FoxRock gets their windfall.

But the current anger over this latest abomination distracts from a long and costly story of concessions that our elected representatives have granted FoxRock. At the start in 2016 they acquired the site of the former Quincy Hospital on Whitwell Street for \$12 million, which was only 29% of the tax assessed value of the property. In their initial round of public presentations FoxRock played up their experience with medical buildings and indicated that they would be seeking to replace the existing 370,000 square-foot hospital with a more modern medical facility. At that

time Quincy held a Right of Revision on the site that would return ownership of the property to the City if it was not used for medical purposes, so it made sense for this to be their public stance.

The following year FoxRock struck a revised deal with our elected officials to pay an additional \$4.25 million and instead build 200,000 square feet of medical space on the old Ross parking garage site in exchange for Quincy waiving the Right of Revision. This additional payment still only brought their site purchase expense up to 39% of the tax assessed value and allowed them to quickly pivot to the bloated residential development we see on Whitwell Street today.

That might seem like quite a great deal in itself, but there were even more favors to come from our city government. Initial drafts of the Whitwell Street residential development plans were scrapped in favor of replacing townhouses with larger buildings, removing proposed senior and assisted living housing, providing insufficient onsite parking for the projected 915 residents, and the narrowing of Whitwell Street to create better frontage for the development - this last step removing some public on-street parking along Whitwell in the process. Each and every change readily approved by the Administration.

Meanwhile, construction of the alternative medical space promised by FoxRock in 2017 has yet to be started. Not that the City hasn't been busy in the interim. The \$35 million bridge to (currently) nowhere was completed and inaugurated with great fanfare. It serves no purpose at the moment, but it will just happen to provide access to the location of FoxRock's latest medical building proposal if that is ever completed. The Mayor is quick to point out that the bridge was constructed using State funds, and he is technically correct. The structure itself was funded with \$10.6 million in State money. Quincy only added another \$25 million of your money for the adjacent landscaping and decorative elements.

In 2022 there was great fanfare around an announcement that FoxRock was going to construct a 200,00 square-foot build-

ing to house "life sciences" businesses at the Ross lot in order to finally fulfill their 2017 agreement with the City. To my knowledge that project did not make it past the publication of an artist's rendering in the local papers.

Now in 2024 our elected officials are again celebrating FoxRock's latest proposal to build 110,000 square feet of space (only 55% of what they agreed to provide in 2017 in exchange for the Right of Revision concession) for lease to Beth Israel Deaconess. But even this still conceptual under-delivery comes at the additional cost of the Administration providing a 40-year tax waiver. To give the Mayor his due, he correctly points out that a non-profit like BID is exempt from paying property tax. What he ignores is that FoxRock, a very much for-profit entity, will be the building's owner rather than BID which would merely be the tenant.

Looking back over this seven-year slog of broken promises and lowered expectations I wonder about a couple of things: 1) Why is there no outrage about any of this from our elected representatives? and 2) Is FoxRock incapable of completing a project without massive subsidies from the tax payers of Quincy, or are they simply so confident of their relationship with the administration that they feel that they can keep asking for more?

It's difficult to not be distracted from the bigger picture when new headlines keep coming, and I expect that we will see more questionable tax payer expenses in the coming year to push this latest concession from the headlines: the reworking of the Whitwell/Adams Street intersection to support FoxRock's Hospital Hill project, a revival of the proposed Quarry Hills 99-year lease extension, a return of the Mayor's proposal to build a new City Hall/Quincy College tower, and who knows what other tax payer funded goodies. It is a very long game, and it's much less painful to pass the accumulating debt along to your children and grandchildren if the Administration just drips it out to us slowly enough.

Rich McLaughlin
Quincy

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OBITUARIES

Mary V. Nourse, 80

Mary V. (Dell) Nourse, age 80, of Hingham, formerly of Marshfield and Quincy, died peacefully, Friday, March 8, 2024, at Harbor House Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Hingham.

Mary was born in Quincy, to the late Herbert W. and A. Frances (Knight) Dell. Raised and educated in West Quincy, she was a graduate of Archbishop Williams High School, Class of 1962.

She lived in Quincy for most of her life then in West Yarmouth and Marshfield.

Later in life, Mary earned certification as a licensed practical nurse through the Lemuel Shattuck Hospital. She worked for many years at the Norwell Knoll Rehabilitation and Nursing Center and Cape Cod Rehabilitation in Mashpee.

Mary enjoyed spending time with friends and family. She was talented at knitting and started a group of knitters at the Marshfield Senior Center knitting prayer shawls that were donated to nursing



MARY V. NOURSE

homes. She loved to read and loved her cats.

Devoted mother of Michael J. Nourse of Canton, Matthew J. Nourse and his wife Lisa of Avon, Elizabeth Hatzieleftheriadis and her husband Harry of Brighton, Amy Nourse of Weymouth, David S. Nourse and his wife Lizz of Whitman, Edward F. "Ned" Nourse and his wife Cheryl of Walpole, and the late infant Philip E. Nourse.

Loving grandmother of Madison and Grace; Ryan; Anthony and Jillian; James and Mia; David, Jr. and Char-

lotte; Leo, Edward, and Joseph.

Dear sister of the late Herbert F. Dell, Sr. and his late wife Judith.

Memorial Visiting Hours will be held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy, on Friday, March 22, from 4 - 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. A Memorial Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Divine Mercy Parish in Saint Mary's Church, 95 Crescent St., West Quincy, on Saturday, March 23, at 10 a.m. Inurnment to follow at Saint Mary's Cemetery, West Quincy.

For those who wish, donations in Mary's memory may be made to MSPCA-Angell, Attn: Donations, 350 South Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02130 or by visiting www.mspca.org, or to the animal shelter of your choice.

You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Robert W. Bolster

Let us mourn the passing of Robert W. Bolster, March 8th, 2024, brother to Alice Doherty of Marblehead, MA & her husband, Al, and the late Penny Bolster of Quincy, as well as Karen Needle of Abington. Born on September 9, 1935, Bob grew up with his family in the Old Harbor area of South Boston, MA. He would go on to raise his family as a proud Quincy resident.

After graduating from South Boston High School, class of 1953, young Bob Bolster spent time as a service member with the United States Navy during the Korean War aboard the aircraft carrier, USS Antietam. Bob attended the University of Idaho on a Boxing scholarship. His determination for the sport would later earn him an induction into the Ring Four Boxing Hall of Fame (2008).

A constant seeker of knowledge, Bob went on to earn two master's degrees, one in Education, and the



ROBERT W. BOLSTER

other in Criminal Justice, from Northeastern University, Boston, MA. He began his career in juvenile justice and was a respected member of the MA Parole Board until 1976. In 1980 Bob would return to Northeastern, this time as a professor in Criminology. He also took great pride in being a successful entrepreneur and offered opportunities and mentorship to many friends, family members and neighbors throughout the years. He was a true friend to all who knew him.

Husband of the late Dorothy (Brissenden) Bolster, Bob is survived by his five children, Denise Guest & husband Bob, of Weymouth,

MA, Robin McEachern & husband George, of Carver, MA, Kerry Doherty & husband Jack, of Saco, ME, Bob Bolster, Jr. & his wife, Amy, of Hollis, NH, and Jack Bolster & wife, Debbie, of Plymouth, MA, as well as friend, Kerry Nash, of Quincy, MA. His legacy lives on through his 12 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Finally, Bob is survived by his lifelong best friend, Tom Finnerty, of Hanover, MA. Bob will be remembered as a vibrant man who lived life to the fullest and told a story in a way that made you want to listen. Brother, Dad, Papa, Friend, may you rest in eternal peace.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to greet the family during the visiting hours on Thursday, March 28th, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. Funeral service will be celebrated immediately following the visitation at 12 p.m. in Keohane Funeral Home, Quincy. Burial in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

Donations in Bobby's memory can be made to the South Boston Boys and Girls Club, 230 W Sixth St., Boston, MA 02127.

Sheila A. Roche



SHEILA A. ROCHE

(and a Connolly) and would let you know it. With her vibrant personality and caring heart she continued to make new friends over the years. She gave a lot and asked nothing in return. She will be reunited in heaven with her husband Joe, her very special friends Ralph Morgan, Jan and Archie Newman, and her treasured friend Patricia Doyle Flanagan of Sagamore Beach.

Sheila married her husband Joe in 1958 at St. Agatha's in Milton, MA. They settled in Wollaston to raise their five children, moving to Sagamore Beach in 1979. Sheila enjoyed the beach, family cookouts on her big deck, and hosting the family holidays for decades. Her door was always open, and all were welcomed into her home by her family. She enjoyed listening to the musicians of her era and passed on her true love of Frank Sinatra and other greats to all her children.

Sheila is a 1953 graduate of Notre Dame Academy (Roxbury), and a 1955 graduate of Wyndham College,

where she was voted best personality. She loved her many trips to Marco Island with her friends, reading, socializing by the pool, and her 5 o'clock Martini's. For 20 years she and her brother Kevin Carrigan operated Notes & Quotes in Kingston, selling books and music while having the time of their lives!

Sheila's five children and loving daughter-in-law, Lori Roche, cared for her at home over the last several months with the help of Cranberry Hospice. This made it possible for her to remain at home, continue listening to her music and enjoying the company of her grandchildren, children and many friends.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday, March 18, at St. Bonaventure Parish, 803 State Rd., Rte. 3A, Manomet.

Burial will be at a later date at Milton Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were made by the Bartlett Funeral Home, 338 Court St., Plymouth. For online condolences, please go to: <https://www.bartlett1620.com/Plymouth-obituaries>.

For those who wish, in lieu of flowers, memorial donations "in memory of Sheila Roche" may be made to Cranberry Hospice, 36 Cordage Park Cir., Ste 326, Plymouth, MA 02360-7320

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Patricia M. Shaw, 92



PATRICIA M. SHAW

Patricia M. (Harding) Shaw, age 92, a longtime resident of Quincy, died peacefully, Sunday, March 10, 2024 in the comfort of her home, surrounded by her loving family.

Patricia was born in Weymouth, to the late William and Isabelle (Johnson) Harding. She was raised and educated there. She lived in Quincy's Houghs Neck for over seventy years.

Patricia was employed as a waitress at the former Woolworth's in Quincy Center, and had also worked as an associate at the South Shore YMCA in Quincy. She had been retired for

Frank and Juliana.

Cherished great grandmother of Nolan and Harper.

The last of six siblings, she was predeceased by William Harding, Thomas Harding, Lorraine Cornell, Dorothy Dennison, and Marjorie Pelrine.

Patricia is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and their families.

Funeral Services were conducted at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy, on Thursday, March 14. Interment Pine Hill Cemetery, West Quincy.

For those who wish, donations in Patricia's memory may be made to Old Colony Hospice, 321 Manley St., West Bridgewater, MA 02379.

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Joann B. DePalma, 87

Joann B. (Marinelli) DePalma, age 87, of Kingston, died peacefully, Friday, March 15, 2024 at Wingate at Silver Lake, surrounded by her loving family.

Joann was born in Boston, to the late Anthony and Jennie (Milan) Marinelli. Raised and educated in Boston, she was a graduate of Cathedral High School, Class of 1954.

She lived in Kingston for three years, previously living most of her life in Marshfield and Quincy.

Joann worked as a bookkeeper and helped to operate her late husband's business, the former DePalma Oil Company, for over forty years.

She was an avid reader and participated in many book clubs. Joann was also a former member of the Green



JOANN B. DEPALMA

Harbor Yacht Club. She was a social person who enjoyed being with people.

Beloved wife of the late Jack J. DePalma.

Devoted mother of Nunzio F. DePalma and his wife Tamra of Marshfield, Anthony D. DePalma and his wife Robyn of Rockland.

Loving grandmother of Jack DePalma of Rockland,

Danielle Cavicchi and her husband Brandon of Plymouth.

Dear sister of the late Joy DePalma and the late Gaye Pascarelli. Joann is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy, on Thursday, March 21, from 4 – 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Funeral Services will be conducted at the funeral home on Friday, March 22, at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Joann's memory may be made to the charity of your choice.

You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Josephine (Aliberti) Buglisi, age 84, of Quincy, died peacefully, Thursday, March 14, 2024 in the comfort of her daughter's home, surrounded by her loving family.

Josephine was born in Milici, Sicily to the late Luigi and Caterina (Torre) Aliberti. Raised and educated there, she immigrated to the United States in November of 1972, settling in Quincy where she has lived for fifty-two years.

She was employed as an assembler for the Grass Instrument Company in Braintree for over ten years, previously working at LTX-Credence Corporation in Norwood.

Josephine was a caring, outgoing person who loved gardening and cooking for her family. After attending sewing classes, she became an accomplished seamstress, making dresses and other items for her children. She could also knit.

Most of all, Josephine was dedicated to her family, especially her daughters, her cherished grandchildren, and great grandchildren, supporting all their many activities



JOSEPHINE BUGLISI

and accomplishments. Josephine was proud to be the matriarch of her family.

Beloved wife of the late Antonio Buglisi.

Devoted mother of Anna Maria Benigni of Weymouth, Caterina Cardarelli and her husband Nevio, Carmela Graziano and her husband Fiore Antonio all of Braintree.

Loving grandmother of Anthony Benigni and his wife Michelle of East Bridgewater, Silvio Cardarelli and his wife Jenna of Abington, Emilio Cardarelli and Delio Cardarelli both of Quincy, Joseph Graziano and his wife

Emily of Ashburnham, Christina Kenney and her husband Eric of Rockland.

Cherished great grandmother of Noah and Brooke Benigni, Luca and Everly Cardarelli, Atlas and Zosia Graziano.

Dear sister of Joseph Aliberti and his wife Josephine of Quincy.

Josephine is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and their families both here and in Sicily.

Visiting hours were held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy, on Tuesday, March 19. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy, on Wednesday, March 20, at 10 a.m. Interment to follow at Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

For those who wish, donations in Josephine's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverly Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452.

You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Muriel L. Wood

We present this to you with our hearts full of warm remembrance as we celebrate the life of Muriel L. Wood, a cherished member of the Boston and Milton communities. Muriel, who was born on May 9, 1932 in Boston, and passed away peacefully in Milton on March 12, 2024, left an indelible mark on the hearts of those she encountered through her kindness, generosity, and faith-filled spirit.

Muriel's journey began in Boston, where the city's vibrant energy fueled her own zest for life. She carried that energy throughout her 27 years at John J. Cahill Displays and her subsequent 22 years at Eastern Displays, both in Boston. Her dedication to her work was matched only by her commitment to her colleagues and the friendships she nurtured within the industry.

Family was the cornerstone of Muriel's world. She is survived by her brother Calvin (Pete) S. Wood and his wife Judith, her cousin Keith Falconer and his wife Rhonda, and cousin Eric Falconer with his wife Diane. Muriel also held a special place in her heart for her late, long-time friend Fredrica Campbell. Her 17-year-old poodle, Finnegan, was a constant companion and



MURIEL L. WOOD

source of joy in her life, providing comfort and laughter in their many years together.

Muriel's passion for music and her faith were intertwined as she sang in the choir with Fuller Village. Her devotion led her to attend services at Rugles Street Baptist Church in Boston and later at Fort Square Presbyterian Church in Quincy, where she uplifted many with her melodic voice and unwavering spirit.

Those who knew Muriel would describe her as

the epitome of kindness and generosity. Her faith-filled approach to life was an inspiration, guiding her through the many roles she played within her community. Muriel's presence was a blessing to all, and her memory will be treasured as a beacon of love and service.

As we reflect on Muriel's life, we see the many ways in which she enriched our world. Her legacy is one of warmth, compassion, and a deep-seated belief in the goodness of people. Muriel L. Wood will be profoundly missed, yet her spirit will continue to resonate within the hearts of those she touched.

A funeral service was held Monday at the Fort Square Presbyterian Church, 16 Pleasant St., Quincy. Interment at Milton Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, Muriel's wish was that you donate to a charity of meaning to you.

NOTICE TO READERS

Obituaries appearing in The Quincy Sun and posted on the newspaper's website are written by the funeral home handling arrangements with input from the deceased's family.

They are not written by The Quincy Sun.

Obituaries are submitted by the funeral homes and are printed in The Sun space permitting.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice of Public Hearing
2024-27

The Quincy City Council will hold a Public Hearing, on Monday, April 1, 2024 at 6:30 PM in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy in reference to a petition from National Grid for gas main location.

Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc. hereby respectfully requests permission to the locations of mains as hereinafter described for the transmission and distribution of gas in and under the following public streets, lanes, highways and places of the City of Quincy and of the pipes, valves, governors, manholes and other structures, fixtures and appurtenances designed or intended to protect or operate said mains and accomplish the objects of said Company; and the digging up and opening the ground to lay or place same:

Harvard St-

Install on JO Pole on Harvard Street. Beginning at a point 70' Northwest of the centerline of the Intersection of Harvard Street and Granger Street. Install Pole 36-50 at approximately 42 degrees 15'39.6"N 71 degrees 01'47.2"W.

WO# 30739103

A copy of the Applicant's plan may be examined at the Office of the City Clerk, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, Ma. Monday thru Friday during regular business hours 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Any person wishing to comment can also do so via email to jmanning@quincyma.gov or by regular first-class mail addressed to the City Council Office 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169 Attn: Jennifer Manning. Written comment must be received prior to noon on April 1, 2024 to be entered into the record.

Nicole L. Crispo
Clerk of the Council

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
Docket No. NO24C0070CA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
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In the Matter of:
Roisin Ana Barry

A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by

Roisin Ana Barry of Quincy, MA

requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Roisin Margaret Barry
IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Norfolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/24/2024.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 12, 2024
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

3/21/24

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by C.W.AYERS INC. of 440B East Squantum St Quincy, Ma 02171 that on Friday March 22, 2024 at 11a.m., a sale will be conducted for the following vehicles to satisfy the garage lien, thereon for the storage, towing charges, care and expenses of notice & sale of said vehicle:

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REG: HMW8752-NY
OWNER: Danyang Li
2101 Cumberland Ave
APT 10204
W.Lafayette, IN 47906

2021 Volkswagen Tiguan
VIN: 3VV2B7AX2MM131166
REG: 4BKC78-MA
OWNER: Michael Jacobs
352 Lexington St
Watertown, MA 02472

2011 Subaru Outback
VIN: 4548RCKC7B3438244
REG: 765PE3-MA
OWNER: William Worrall
33 Furnace Ave APT 17
Quincy, MA 02169

2013 BMW X3
VIN: 5UXWX9C58D0D08137
REG: 4670272-NH
OWNER: Geng Kun
2500 N. River Rd #21
Manchester, NH 03106
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this being their home, we agreed to do a monument with them," Koch said. "Squaw Rock, the [Moswetuset] Hummock and Passanageset were the most sacred lands to them. We're going to be looking to lease them a building at Squaw Rock and ideally the monument would be at Squaw Rock. That's what they would like to see.

"They're the ones that are going to be involved in

picking the artist and picking the design. We're merely facilitating it."

Squaw Rock is located within the vicinity of Nickerson Beach in Squantum. The mayor said he hopes to place the new statue somewhere in the upland portion of the park.

The US Department of the Interior in 2022 changed the name of Squaw Rock to Nickerson Rock, part of an effort by Interior Secretary

Deb Haaland rename more than 600 geographic features around the country that include the term "squaw." Koch has said the city will continue to call the landmark Squaw Rock based on feedback from the Massachusetts Tribe.

"This group wants it Squaw Rock," the mayor said in the recent interview. "They felt it was an overreach by the secretary of the interior."

In addition to the statue and the building the city plans to lease to the tribe, Koch hopes to incorporate the history of the Massachusetts Tribe into the curriculum of the Quincy Public Schools.

"The goal is to really put their story in writing," he said. "We want to include somewhere in our curriculum the history of the tribe here in Quincy."

READERS FORUM

Highlights From Park And Rec Board Meetings

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Squantum School Construction: There will be no loss of parkland. There will be temporary use of some grass space for construction material and the location of modular classrooms. The playground equipment is not impacted. The board will get a presentation by the Brian LaRoche on what is going to go where, possibly at the next meeting.

Highlights from the Recreation Department:

Wrapping up winter programs. Had high participation in Instructional Ice Skating (130 kids); Basketball (632 kids; with 45 kids playing buddy ball). Parents' nights out were sold

out during February vacation.

Outdoor ice-skating rink was a hit. Rough estimate of number of skaters was 29,000! Scheduled for 87 days, and weather impacted 18 of them. Discussion is next year it will be in the empty lot by Kilroy's garage.

Any person who wants a summer job as a lifeguard, if they have their application in before May 1st, they will

be guaranteed an interview. Applications received after that date may or may not be interviewed, depending upon staff availability.

City received \$35,000 grant for youth diversion program (up from \$32,000 last year). Will work with police department to confirm locations used last year are still appropriate for locations this year. (Locations are driven by crime data).

The Department is look-

ing into establishing a middle school Volleyball League.

The Quincy Recreation Department won a South Shore Region Recreational Impact award from the Massachusetts Recreation and Park Association for their planning and execution of the outdoor ice rink. (Congratulations to all who made the ice rink possible!)

Cindy Brandi
Quincy

AAA: Massachusetts Gas Surge Up Six Cents

Rising gasoline demand, lower inventories and ongoing geopolitical tensions are pushing pump prices higher.

Oil prices are climbing on improved demand projections and reports of a fire and damage at a major Russian oil refinery last week following a series of Ukrainian drone attacks. Oil prices, already rising on seasonal trends, are exceed-

ing \$80 per barrel and could keep climbing: the International Energy Agency upped its growth forecast last week on an improved economic outlook in the United States ahead of the busy summer driving season.

The average gas price in Massachusetts is up six cents over last week (\$3.19), averaging \$3.25 per gallon. Monday's price is six

cents higher than a month ago (\$3.19), and 3 cents lower than March 18, 2023 (\$3.28). Massachusetts's average gas price is 21 cents lower than the national average.

AAA Northeast's March 18 survey of fuel prices found the current national average to be 7 cents higher than last week (\$3.39), averaging \$3.46 a gallon.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91
Waterways License Application Number 23-WW01-0078-APP

Applicant: David K. Dunbrack

Project Location: 82 Crabtree Road, Quincy, Norfolk County

Extended Public Comments Deadline: April 22, 2024

NOTIFICATION DATE: March 21, 2024

Public Notice is hereby given of the Waterways Application by David K. Dunbrack to maintain an existing concrete retaining wall and fill, with associated ramp and steps, and install and maintain a residential docking facility consisting of a 3.5-foot wide by 20-foot long aluminum ramp connecting to a 3.5-foot wide by 90-foot long pile supported wooden pier and a 30-foot wide by 15-foot long bottom-anchored floating dock, in/on filled and flowed tidelands of Quincy Bay, Quincy, Norfolk County. The proposed project has been determined to be waterdependent.

The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways Application received by Monday, April 22, 2024 (Public Comments Deadline). Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten (10) citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c). The group of citizens must include no less than five (5) citizens who are residents of the municipality in which the proposed project is located. A public hearing may be held upon request by the Municipal Official.

Project plans and documents for this Waterways Application are on file for public viewing electronically at: <https://eeonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/> (enter 23-WW01-0078-APP in the Search Page as the Record ID). If you need assistance, please contact ivan.morales@mass.gov or if you do not have access to email, please leave a voicemail at (857) 276-3013 and you will be contacted with information on alternative options.

It is recommended that documents and correspondence be filed electronically with the email address specified above, when possible, alternatively, comments may be mailed to Ivan Morales at MassDEP Waterways Regulation Program, 100 Cambridge Street, 9th Floor, Boston, MA 02114.
3/21/24

LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF QUINCY
IN COUNCIL

ORDER NO. 2024-028

ORDERED:

March 11, 2024

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Quincy, that the Quincy Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

In Chapter 325. Vehicles and Traffic. Article III Signs, Signals and Markers

Section 325.47 Stop Signs Locations

Install the following

Street	Intersecting with	Type of Regulation
Gould Street Eastbound	West Elm Avenue	Stop Sign

A TRUE COPY.
ATTEST: Nicole L. Crispo
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thequincysun@verizon.net

Need more information? Call 617-471-3100

QHS Girls' Basketball

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and freshman guard Rory Kennedy were all named league all-stars.

In addition, Campbell said that 12 of the 13 players on the varsity team made honor roll, with 10 of those players making distinction.

"I think that's the mark of true student-athletes," Campbell said. "They've been incredible."

On top of those accomplishments, Campbell noted the team won the league's sportsmanship award for the second year in a row.

"This is also the second year in a row Quincy High School has won the sportsmanship award in the Patriot League. That's something that's voted on by all the teams throughout the league," he said. "That is impressive because not only are they winning games, not only are they smart, but they are doing it with great sportsmanship and I think that deserves to be acknowledged."

Campbell also credited Mann, the only senior on the team, for her leadership

over the years.

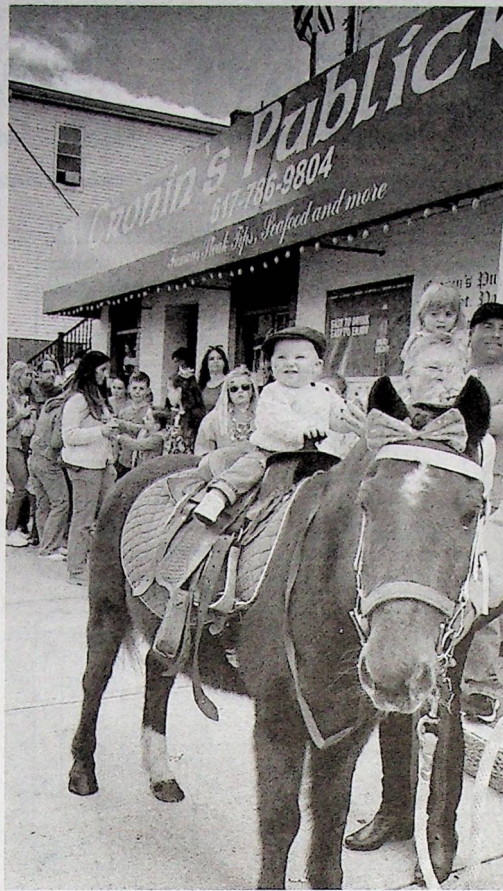
"She's been a starter on the girls' varsity basketball team for the past four years, she's been an absolute anchor for this team, and I guarantee you her presence will be felt for a long time," Campbell said of Mann. "She is a captain of the girls' volleyball team and the softball team, and also captain of the basketball team, so she is leaving a great legacy that she created here."

Campbell said Conlon "deserves all of the awards and all the praise for what's she done," adding that the team has 35 games over the past two years.

"That's unheard of, really," Campbell said. "That's what happens when you create a program and you're not just building a team. The coaching staff deserves a lot of credit for that."

Council President Ian Cain congratulated the team on their accomplishments.

"Thank you for representing the city so well and all your hard work as both students and athletes," he said.



LITTLE DECLAN LYONS, age 1, enjoys a ride on Pete the Connemara Pony during St. Patrick's Day festivities at Cronin's Publick House on Sunday. Courtesy Photo

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-10

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169. On the application of Albertina Asset LLC for a Variance to remove the existing house and construct two (2) new, duplex style townhouses in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance as amended Chapter 4.0 (dimensional requirements) on the premises numbered 66 ALBERTINA STREET, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/>.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

3/21/24, 3/28/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-11

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169. On the application of Albertina Assets LLC for a Variance to remove the existing house and construct two (2) new, duplex style townhouses in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance as amended Chapter 4.0 (dimensional requirements) on the premises numbered 62 ALBERTINA STREET, QUINCY.

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Martin Aikens, Chairman

3/21/24, 3/28/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-12

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169. On the application of Xu Zhuo Ping for a Variance and Finding to convert the existing single-family home into a two-family home in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance as amended Chapter 4.1 (dimensional requirements) and Chapter 3.4.2 (extension of use) on the premises numbered 91 HAMDEN CIRCLE, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/>.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

3/21/24, 3/28/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-13

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169. On the application of Michael Connors, Remodelwerks, LLC for a Variance to construct an 8 foot addition and a 3 to 4 foot vestibule on the front elevation in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance as amended Chapter 4.1.1 (front setback) on the premises numbered 12 GLADSTONE STREET, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/>.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

3/21/24, 3/28/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-14

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169. On the application of JCBT Architect for a Variance and Finding to construct an addition with a 2-car attached garage and a third floor in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance as amended Chapter 4.0 (dimensional requirements) and Chapter 3.4.3 (nonconforming structures) on the premises numbered 119 East Squantum Street, Quincy.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/>.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

3/21/24, 3/28/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-15

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169. On the application of JCBT Architect for a Variance to demolish the existing side enclosed porch and construct a 2.5 story single family to the left side of the property in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance as amended Chapter 4.2, Article 4.2.2 (dimensional requirements and two buildings on one lot) on the premises numbered 23 BOTOLPH STREET, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/>.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

3/21/24, 3/28/24

Edward DeWitt New Head Coach QHS Football

Quincy High School announces Edward DeWitt has been named the Presidents' new head varsity football coach.

DeWitt is a 2004 graduate of Quincy High School and member of the Quincy/North Quincy Football Hall of Fame. He has an extensive coaching background at the collegiate, high school, and youth levels. Most recently, DeWitt has been the head coach at Oliver Ames High School for the past five seasons.

His coaching roots started in Quincy with the Quincy Point Panthers youth team. He was an assistant coach at Curry College from 2010-2012. He also has experience at the high school level with Canton High School, Sharon High School and Hingham High School. He is currently a

history/physical education teacher in the Sharon Public Schools.

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. NO24P0577EA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Probate

and Family Court

35 Shawmut Road

Canton, MA 02021

(781) 830-1200

Estate of:

Norma Jean Mackie

Date of Death:

12/13/2023

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Christine MacLeod of Braintree, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Christine MacLeod of Braintree, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 A.M. on the return day of 04/17/2024**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 11, 2024

COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY

Register of Probate

3/21/24

LEGAL NOTICE

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. NO24P0444EA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Division

35 Shawmut Road

Canton, MA 02021

(781) 830-1200

Estate of:

Caroline Rose Ouimet

Date of Death:

December 18, 2023

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of:

Petitioner **Pamela A. Ouimet of Wrentham, MA**

Pamela A. Ouimet of Wrentham, MA and **Erin M. McCoy of Wrentham, MA** have been informally appointed as the Personal Representatives of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representatives under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representatives and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

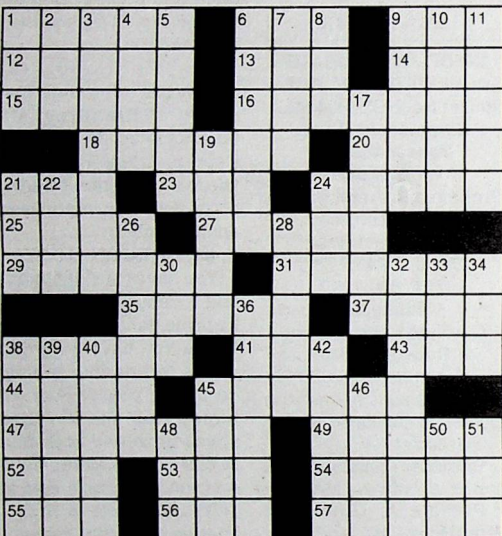
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SUN FUN PAGES

King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Gold-loving king
 - 6 Soviet space station
 - 9 Actress Denning
 - 12 "That — I ask"
 - 13 Longoria of TV
 - 14 Writer LeShan
 - 15 "What — mean?"
 - 16 Journal
 - 18 Singer Timberlake
 - 20 Monster
 - 21 Med. plan option
 - 23 Sweetie
 - 24 Different
 - 25 Exile isle
 - 27 Russian villa
 - 29 Deceived
 - 31 There
 - 35 Rocker Adams
 - 37 Harvard rival
 - 38 City near Venice
 - 41 Prefix with
- DOWN**
- 1 Central
 - 2 Equal (Pref.)
 - 3 Nine-to-five
 - 4 Matty of baseball
 - 5 Melting snow
 - 6 Islamic holy city
 - 7 Infamous tsar
 - 8 Shaft of light
 - 9 IRA relative
 - 10 Worship
 - 11 Greedy sort
 - 17 Plant science
 - 19 Hot rum drink
 - 21 Skirt edge
 - 22 Roman 1051
 - 24 Discoverer's call
 - 26 Photo collections
 - 28 Doubter
 - 30 Notable time
 - 32 Workplace perk, maybe
 - 33 Yalie
 - 34 Gym unit
 - 36 Nails the test
 - 38 Rice field
 - 39 Arcade pioneer
 - 40 Senior member
 - 42 14 pounds
 - 45 Aesopian also-ran
 - 46 Apple product
 - 48 Young dog
 - 50 LBJ's successor
 - 51 Prof's aides



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MAGIC MAZE

SECRET SERVICE CODE NAMES FOR PRESIDENTS AND FAMILY

Y K I F C Z W Y U R R P M J S
H E C Z X L A R E N E G A D E
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G E D B A F L O W R E B M I T

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: YOUR MOM'S MOM

Eagle	Lancer	Passkey	Searchlight
Evergreen	Lock Master	Rawhide	Timberwolf
General	Mogul	Renegade	Volunteer
Lace	Muse	Scorecard	

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Fishing line is different. 2. Branch is higher. 3. Hut is different. 4. Mountain is added. 5. Cloud is larger. 6. Cap is different.

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- LITERATURE:** What is the name of the kingdom in "The Princess Bride"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** In British royalty, what is King Charles' family name?
- TELEVISION:** Which TV sitcom features Sheldon's catchphrase "Bazinga!"?
- U.S. STATES:** Which U.S. state is home to the Awatovi Ruins, a national historic landmark?
- HISTORY:** According to a WWII government slogan, what sinks ships?
- GEOGRAPHY:** What is the name of the small principality that lies between Spain

and France?

- ANATOMY:** Which part of the brain controls hunger?
- LANGUAGE:** The Latin word "caput" refers to what part of the human anatomy?
- SCIENCE:** Which color has the longest wavelength in the visible spectrum?
- FOOD & DRINK:** What is the primary alcohol used in margaritas?

Answers

1. Florin.
2. Mountbatten-Windsor.
3. "The Big Bang Theory."
4. Arizona.
5. Loose lips.
6. Andorra.
7. Hypothalamus.
8. The head.
9. Red.
10. Tequila.

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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The last lingering days of winter leave the rambunctious Ram more restless than usual. Put all of the extra energy into strengthening a long-neglected relationship.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The clever Bull will ignore outward appearances and dig a little deeper to find important hidden facts before making a decision. Meanwhile, a friend needs you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to reorganize around your home and on the job. Missing items will seem to magically reappear once you discard the clutter.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Tame that skeptical nature of yours. Be open to well-intended advice from a family member. A co-worker also has a suggestion that can be beneficial to the both of you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A so-called bargain could turn out to be a mite more risky than you thought. Keep your purse closed for now. A better deal is just down the line.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A sudden romantic overture emerges out of the past and catches you off guard. Respond with your usual honesty. This is not the time for coyness.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Romantic aspects are especially favorable this week. A career move also holds positive potential. Check out possible draw-

backs before making a final decision.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You dislike changing plans, but it could be a wise move to be a little more flexible than usual. The reason will become apparent very soon.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A loved one may feel left out of your life as you pursue your objectives this week. Take time to offer reassurances that your priorities haven't changed.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This is a good time to stop nursing your wounded pride and start repairing a strained friendship. Take the first step now and let the healing process begin.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Expect good news about a particular health problem. Then go out and celebrate with friends and family. There's good news about your financial health as well.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A state of confusion marks the early part of this week, but explanations will come in time to clear things up for you. Be cautious about making promises.

BORN THIS WEEK: You love being with people, whether it's a crowd or the company of just a few friends. You have strong family loyalties and can be counted on in crisis situations.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

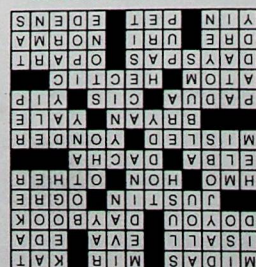
Clue: F equals H

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K J O K K A Z O L B K R N S F R X H E M S E
N S X N M H V E X S H F Q V, Q I O R H H
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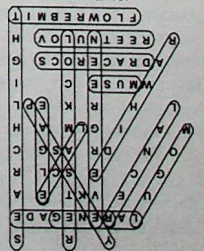
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King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 26 mins.



Magic Maze ANSWERS:



When you pack tons of fluffy duck feathers onto a transport ship, I guess that's down-loading.

CryptoQuip answer

HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD – Tom Cruise's "Mission: Impossible 8," which has been shot so far in England, Malta, South Africa, Norway and Italy, resumed shooting in February after the strikes were settled. It's no longer called "Dead Reckoning Part Two" and will have a new title when it opens in May 2025.

Cruise's next project will be directed by four-time Oscar winner Alejandro G. Iñárritu, who won for directing "Birdman" (2014) and "The Revenant" (2015). The title and the script, written by Iñárritu and his "Birdman" co-writers, is an original story created by the 60-year-old director, who excels as a filmmaker despite having attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder. The film is Cruise's first in his partnership with Warners, his new studio. However, he plans to keep making "Mission: Impossible" films, which will reconnect him to Paramount.

Speaking of Paramount, they're taking a different direction with the "Transformers" franchise. The live-action franchise began with "Transformers" (2007), starring Shia LaBeouf, and cost \$200 million while grossing \$710 million. "Dark of the Moon" (2011), also starring LaBeouf, cost \$195 million and grossed \$1.124 billion. Mark Wahlberg starred in "Age of Extinction" in 2014 (\$210 million cost with a \$1.104 billion gross) and "The Last Knight" in 2017 (\$260 million cost with only a \$605.4 million gross).

Then in 2018, John Cena and Hailee Steinfeld starred in "Bumblebee," which cost

\$135 million and only grossed \$468 million. In 2023, Anthony Ramos starred in "Rise of the Beasts" (a \$200 million cost, but a disappointing \$439 million gross). So, Paramount's remedy is to turn "Transformers" into an animated feature with the voices of Chris Hemsworth, Scarlett Johansson and Brian Tyree Henry. Doesn't that defeat the magic of seeing real "Transformers" transform?

Wait 'til you read this! The British Board of Film Classification just "woke" up after 60 years and is changing the rating for Dame Julie Andrews' "Mary Poppins."

The film, being rereleased in England to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the classic children's film, will now be sporting a PG (parental guidance suggested) rating because of the use of one word: "hottentot," by Admiral Boom (played by Reginald Owen). He uses the term when referring to the chimney sweeps whose faces were blackened by soot. It was used by Europeans to refer to the group of nomadic herders in South Africa known as the Khoekhoe. They still live in the Western Cape and Eastern Cape Provinces in the southwestern coastal regions of South Africa and Namibia.

How absurd is it that children now have to get permission from their parents to see "Mary Poppins"? Do they really believe that six decades of children have all been corrupted? First, Disney had all those problems in Florida and now this in England! Just a spoonful of sugar makes "The Wokeness" go down!

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovels

Advertising Icons — The Bonhams Skinner auction where this chair sold listed it as a Harvard University Windsor chair, bringing together two icons of colonial America. Harvard University, originally called the New College, was founded in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1636, making it the oldest college in the United States. This means that Harvard predates the Windsor chair in America. The first Windsor chairs were made in England in the seventeenth century, and they were being made in Philadelphia by the 1730s. There were many variations on the Windsor chair, especially in America.

American designers were the first to add rockers and writing arms to Windsor chairs. The chair can be made in many shapes, and they can be easily distinguished by the shape of the chair's back. No matter the style, a Windsor chair can be recognized by its spindle back, turned legs and stretcher base. They are made with stick-and-socket construction, meaning the chairs are built by inserting the legs and the back spindles into holes in the seat. Windsor chairs and similar styles are also called "stick furniture."

Q: I have a fairly rare, autographed baseball from the 1940s, signed by one of the most famous baseball players of all time. The authenticity of the item, signature, etc. is all documented. Do you have a good source where I can get a fair estimate of value?

A: Value depends on the fame of the player, significance of the event, rarity and condition. The highest price paid for an autographed ball was \$3 mil-

lion for Mark McGuire's 70th home run ball, the record for home runs in a single season, in 1998. You didn't say who autographed your ball. Babe Ruth is often considered the greatest baseball player of all time. His autographed ball, the first home run hit in an All Star game (1933), sold for \$805,000 in 2006. Babe Ruth autographed balls often come up for auction and prices vary. A ball in near mint to mint condition sold last year for \$7,620. Contact an auction house that specializes in sports memorabilia. You can find some listed in Kovels.com's Business Directory.

TIP: Examine a piece of furniture and look for unexplained holes, stains and fade marks. They may indicate a fake or repair.

CURRENT PRICES

- Advertising, poster, "24 Hours of LeMans," 14 & 15 June 1969, photo image of sports cars and race track, A. Deloumel, linen backing, 24 x 15 1/2 inches, \$250.
- Brass cigar cutter, deer's head, antlers, elongated neck with textured finish, 6 1/4 inches, \$425.
- Toy, pedal car, Studebaker Golden Jet Hawk, pressed steel, original horn, Midwest Industries, c. 1957, 37 inches, \$875.
- Perfume bottle, cameo glass, etched butterfly and fern, red ground, tapered laydown shape, sterling silver hinged cap with RK monogram, Thomas Webb, cap marked Gorham, 8 x 1 3/4 inches, \$1,500.

For more collecting news, tips and resources, visit www.Kovels.com

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Strange BUT TRUE

• Using high-pressure, high-temperature techniques that mimic Earth's diamond-forming conditions, scientists can transform the carbon in peanut butter into sparkling gemstones. Chew on that!

• And speaking of chewing, snails have thousands of tiny teeth on their radula, the tongue-like organ they use for grinding up food, making them one of the earth's toothiest creatures.

• Mary, Queen of Scots, was history's youngest monarch, ascending to the throne at a mere 6 days old. Coming in at second place was Emperor Shang of China's Han Dynasty, who in 105 A.D. assumed his royal position at 100 days old.

• If stored correctly and not contaminated, honey can last for thousands of years without spoiling.

• A piano's frame is made of iron.

• Though T-shirts have existed since the late 1800s, the plain white version gained popularity as a wear-alone garment thanks to Marlon Brando's portrayal of Stanley

Kowalski in the movie "A Streetcar Named Desire."

• One out of every seven American jobs is related to transportation.

• Some architectural structures, known as whispering galleries, have unique acoustics allowing a whisper at one end of the gallery to be heard clearly at the other end, due to sound waves following the curved surfaces.

• The "United States Postal Service Anthem," a unique song composed by (appropriately) Jack Stamp, is an official musical salute to the USPS, its employees, and its role in American life.

• In some WWII POW camps, the Nazis would allow Allied soldiers to play board games like Monopoly, even providing the games. The British exploited this opportunity by using compasses, banknotes, and real-world maps in place of standard boards and pieces, as a means of helping prisoners to escape.

Thought for the Day: "If no one ever took risks, Michelangelo would have painted the Sistine floor." — Neil Simon

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Now here's a tip!

by Jo Ann Derson

• Have stubborn stains in the toilet? Put some teeth in your cleaning job by dropping in a denture-cleaning tablet and letting it sit overnight. In the morning, scrub and flush. It just might do the job.

• "Lighten blemish spots on your skin with lemon juice. Just dab on several times per day." — O.M. in Georgia

• "Collect small bits of soap into a cup or jar. When you have several, add a tablespoon or two of water to the cup to soften the soap pieces. When they are moderately soft, pour out the contents on a washcloth, fold it over and press into a bar shape with your hands. Peel away the cloth to reveal what should be a reasonably solid new bar of soap." — C.T. in Pennsylvania

• Save power with this tip: Use cold water to wash towels and jeans. Then hang them

to dry — preferably outside, but on an inside line is OK, too. When they are mostly dry, pop them in the dryer on air dry to fluff up. Towels and jeans take the longest to dry in the clothes dryer, and use a lot of electricity.

• Take soap scum right off your shower curtain — spray with vinegar and water mixture, then throw it in the washer. Hang it right back up, and those mildew stains are gone!

• "When canning or doing another job, always do the thing you hate first, then the rest will be easier." — L.D.W. in Illinois

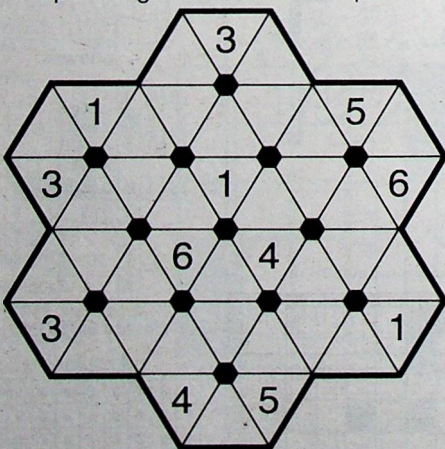
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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STICKELERS

by Terry Stickels

Here's a fun problem to solve ...

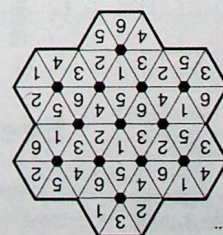
You have a large pie and have been asked to divide it into eight equal parts by making only three cuts. None of these cuts can be circular.

Can you come up with at least one legitimate way to accomplish this?

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SNOWFLAKES

solution



Stickelers Answer

Go Figure!

answers

	96	10		2		
=	=	=	=	=		
=	8	×	1	+	5	
	×		+		+	
	×		+		+	
	3	2	+	6	-	7
	-		+		+	
			+		+	
	3	9	×	4	+	3

One way to solve this problem is to divide the pie in half with one cut, then divide it into fourths with another cut, then pile the pieces on top of one another and divide them down the middle for the third cut ... and you have eight equal pieces!

Super Crossword

PHONY-BALONEY

ACROSS

- 1 Wearing nightclothes, for short
6 Meanie's look
11 In addition
15 Eyelid hair
19 Steel, e.g.
20 Ancient Greek region
21 Empty spaces
22 World's fair
23 Illegal detention
25 Columbus is its capital
26 British actor Guinness
27 "Mind your — business!"
28 High, round collar not folding over on itself
31 Without any variety
35 Ingest
36 Boston NBAer, for short
37 Paint job made to look like marble, wood, etc.
41 New Nintendo console of 2012
43 Big antlered beast
47 Opposite of dep., in an airport

DOWN

- 48 Thin porridge
50 Saw against the main grain, as wood
52 Bit of money seized by a Secret Service agent
58 Ecol. monitor
59 Middays
60 Tiny arachnid
61 J. — Hoover
64 Like overdue birthday wishes
67 Bill & Ted went on one in a 1991 film
70 Wombs
71 Bible book after Prov.
74 Q-V linkup
75 "Spider-Man" director Sam
76 Wedlock not based on love
79 Cheer up
81 Burros, e.g.
82 — occasion (never)
83 Paris' river
84 Toronto-to-Montreal dir.
85 Prada or Fendi replica, maybe
91 "Beloved" novelist Toni
94 Buc, Bronco or Niner
95 Beatty of film

ACROSS

- 5 Whole lotta
6 Knightly title
7 Bulblike base of a stem
8 — cat (two-base game)
9 Neighbor of Minn. and Ill.
10 Jewish potato pancake
11 Relative of a guinea pig
12 Lion portrayer Bert
13 Feature of Betty Boop's hair
14 — "Mio"
15 Crude sheds
16 Car shaft
17 Project detail, for short
18 Sell at a pawnshop
24 Opponent
29 "I taut I — a pudgy tat!"
30 Shade trees
31 Flip — coin
32 DEA worker
33 Irish money
34 Bring about
38 Some flawed garments: Abbr.
39 Add-on to the end of a wd.
40 Bit of a bray
42 Most polar
44 Sea nymph
45 Sovereign
46 Letter two before iota

DOWN

- 49 VIP vehicle
51 Margarine
53 Deprives of weapons and Trackers
54 "Sorry, too busy"
55 Bodily digit
56 Big striped cat, in French
57 A/C output qtzs.
62 Landscape painter Asher Brown —
63 Like low-quality eggs
64 City transport
65 Alcohol in liquor
66 Landlords or landladies
67 Empty
68 Having protruding hearing organs
69 Yang go-with
72 Sings gently
73 U.S. pres., militarily
77 Inquires
78 "Continue"
80 Architect Maya
83 Chiang Kai —
84 Broody rock genre
86 Investigate pryingly
87 Very loudly, in music
88 Miami loc.
89 Stud money
90 Old Storms and Trackers
92 Paraphrase
93 On Sunset Blvd., e.g.
96 Two, in Chile
99 Maintenance job on a car
100 Indy sponsor
102 Ballet outfit
103 Something very easy
104 Vegas casino
106 Some Siouan speakers
108 MetLife rival
110 Concern for a dermatologist
111 Concern for a dermatologist
112 Horror film lab assistant
113 Twice tetra-
114 "Psst" cousin
115 — avis
116 Some old Fords
121 The "S" of GPS: Abbr.
122 Hosp. zones
123 Ideal serve
124 Young fella

celebrity extra by Dana Jackson

Q: When does Lisa Vanderpump's new show premiere? Will any of the cast of "Vanderpump Rules" be in it? — K.J.

A: "Vanderpump Villa" will debut on Hulu beginning April 1. It features an all-new cast selected to work at an exclusive French estate by "The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills" alum (and restaurateur) Lisa Vanderpump. According to Hulu, each episode follows her elite staff working and living together 24/7 while they try to provide a curated experience for their guests. Meanwhile, Vanderpump is also deciding whether she wants to make this French pop-up experience -- and its staff -- a full-time business for her growing empire.

Q: What happened to the show "Elsbeth"? They aired one episode, and now it's gone. Has it been canceled already? — C.J.

A: You're not the only one to ask. The new detective show -- and spin-off of "The Good Wife" and "The Good Fight" -- generated fantastic ratings when it premiered in late February, attracting 4.5 million viewers to CBS. The show stars Carrie Preston as a quirky but whip-smart,

"Columbo"-type lawyer from Chicago who ends up in the Big Apple. Don't worry, though; it's coming back. The show begins by revealing who the murderer is each week to the audience, similar to another hit show, Peacock's "Poker Face." But don't let this deter you! The fun is watching Elsbeth outwit the NYPD and trick the suspect into confessing. Her purpose is to observe the police force for any corruption, but she somehow always ends up solving their cases.

In addition to Preston, "Elsbeth" has a solid cast that includes Wendell Pierce, Carra Patterson and Gloria Reuben. Guest stars include a who's who from past hit sitcoms, including Jesse Tyler Ferguson ("Modern Family"), Jane Krakowski ("30 Rock"), Retta ("Parks and Recreation") and Linda Lavin ("Alice"). Unfortunately, "Elsbeth" had to go on a four-week hiatus because of President Biden's State of the Union Address and the NCAA March Madness tournament. CBS plans to re-air the pilot before "Elsbeth" returns with its second episode on April 4.

Q: Is it true that Eddie Van Halen's son played guitar on the "Barbie" soundtrack? I thought I saw the name "Van Halen" in the credits. — N.N.

A: Yes, Wolfgang Van Halen, son of the late "Van Halen" guitarist Eddie Van Halen, ended up on the "Barbie" soundtrack by chance, but also

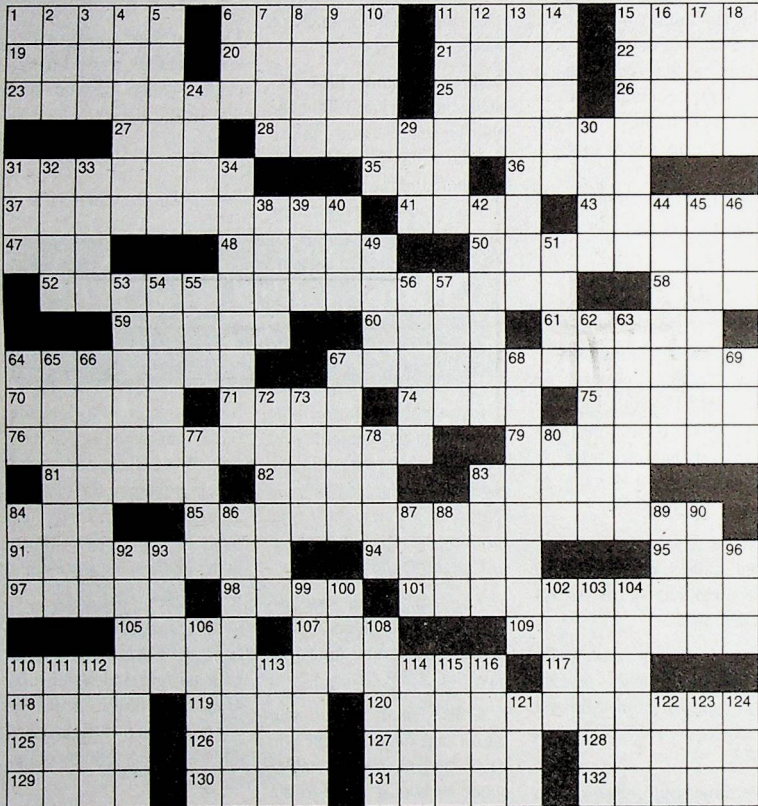


Lisa Vanderpump ("Vanderpump Villa")

Photo: Disney/Picture Group

because of his talent. He met the movie's music producer Mark Ronson while performing at the Taylor Hawkins tribute concert in 2022. The two became friends, and Ronson asked him if he'd collaborate on the fabulous composition titled "I'm Just Ken." He even performed the song on stage alongside Ryan Gosling's Ken at the Academy Awards this month, along with another great electric guitarist -- Slash from Guns N' Roses. "I'm Just Ken" was not only nominated for an Oscar, but made it into the Top 5 of Billboard's Hot Rock & Alternative Songs chart. Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

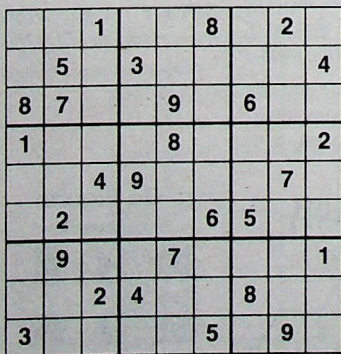
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

- | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1. Aesop's specialty | F _ _ _ _ _ | Kitchen slat | T _ _ _ _ _ |
| 2. Steve or Dean | _ _ _ _ T _ _ | Gaye or Lee | _ _ _ _ V _ _ |
| 3. Compass direction | N _ _ _ _ _ | Value | W _ _ _ _ _ |
| 4. Pancake topping | _ U _ _ _ _ | Improved | _ E _ _ _ _ |
| 5. Bullwinkle, e.g. | _ _ O _ _ _ | Mickey, e.g. | _ _ U _ _ _ |
| 6. Dash | _ _ _ _ _ T | Planting season | _ _ _ _ _ G |
| 7. Larder | _ _ _ N _ _ _ | Bakery treat | _ _ _ S _ _ |
| 8. Wednesday's dad | _ _ _ _ _ Z | Andy's pal, _ Pyle | _ _ _ _ _ R |
| 9. Bird sanctuary | A _ _ _ _ _ | Spooky | E _ _ _ _ _ |
| 10. Closet accessory | _ A _ _ _ _ | Food longing | _ U _ _ _ _ |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

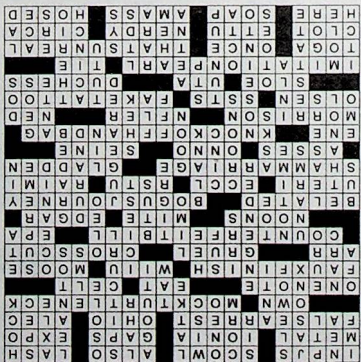
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

Answers

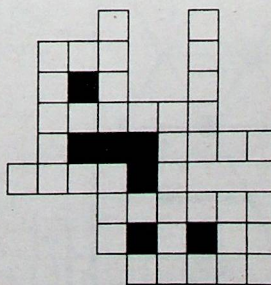


Even Exchange answers

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Fable, Table | 5. Moose, Mouse |
| 2. Martin, Marvin | 4. Butter, Better |
| 3. North, Worth | 8. Gomez, Gomer |
| 7. Parity, Fastly | 9. Aerle, Eerie |
| 6. Sprit, Spring | 10. Hanger, Hunger |

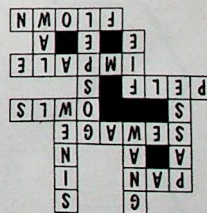
FEAR KNOT By: rj johnson

- IFE
SPLOGE
♥ SASEP
NGWA
APILEM
♥ WLA
LPFE
♥ NIWSE
♥ PNA
WEGSEA
LWFNO
♥ WSOL



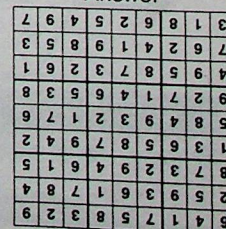
Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHER becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

FEAR KNOT answer



Weekly SUDOKU

Answer



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Amber Waves

DAD SAYS I SHOULDN'T BE AFRAID OF THAT BULLY WHO'S BUGGING US AT SCHOOL.

MY MOM THINKS I DON'T NEED TO BE AFRAID OF THE DARK.

TODAY'S THE DAY WE SHOW THEM ALL HOW BRAVE WE ARE AND BECOME FEARLESS.

HEY, HOW HIGH UP DO YOU THINK WE ARE?

by Dave T. Phipps

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

POOF

LEBRONOSAURUS JAMES

Americanisms

"The ballplayer who loses his head, who can't keep his cool, is worse than no ballplayer at all."

— Lou Gehrig

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

WE REVISED HAPPY HOUR. DUE TO INFLATION, WE RAISED ALL THE PRICES AND IT ONLY LAST THIRTY MINUTES.



Barker Suddenly Getting Hoarse

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My little dog Barnsey is quite a barker for a terrier, but for the past several days his bark has been very hoarse. He sometimes snorts or sneezes, too. I make sure he has plenty of water, but I'm not sure what else to do. It doesn't seem to be getting better. — Faye H., Hartford, Connecticut

DEAR FAYE: This is a perfect time to take Barnsey to the vet. Chronic hoarseness when barking can have several different causes, and the veterinarian can better evaluate him to see what's happening. I'll go over some of the reasons for a barker suddenly getting hoarse. Laryngitis is a common diagnosis, but it's important to figure out the cause. A bacterial or viral infection

may be the culprit, or gastroesophageal reflux (where stomach acid flows up into the esophageal tract, causing irritation and inflammation). Less common causes are masses or tumors growing on or near the dog's larynx, or other conditions affecting the larynx. These may require surgery, and the vet will discuss this option with you. The vet will evaluate Barnsey to see if he has an infection, acid reflux, or if the hoarse barking has another cause. They'll then be able to recommend an effective treatment. For example, a bacterial infection would likely be treated with antibiotics. A viral infection has to run its course, but Barnsey would be treated with medications to make him comfortable and reduce inflammation. If acid reflux is the suspected culprit, the vet may recommend changes to his feeding schedule and the amount of food at each meal. You can also try different varieties of dog food.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.

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WORD LADDERS

Can you go from CROWD to PROPS in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

CROWD

PROPS

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Pleat

ERACES

Contest

BEATED

Rebuff

NAILED

Deceive

TEACH

TODAY'S WORD

STREAMING SOURCE

Here's what to watch and where to watch it for the week of March 25, 2024

- 26-March: "Dave Attell: Hot Cross Buns" (Comedy Special) — Netflix

26-March: "Tig Notaro: Hello Again" (Comedy Special) — Prime Video

28-March: "We Were the Lucky Ones" (Season 1) — Hulu

28-March: "The Baxters" (Season 1) — Prime Video

28-March: "American Rust: Broken Justice" (Season 2) — Prime Video
- 29-March: "Jerrold Carmichael Reality Show" (Season 1) — Max

29-March: "Madu" (PG) — Disney+

29-March: "Is It Cake?" (Season 3) — Netflix

29-March: "Fraggle Rock: Back to the Rock" (Season 2) — AppleTV+

30-March: "Guy's Ranch Kitchen" (Season 7) — Max

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Micro Crossword

By Elizabeth C. Gorski

- Across
- 1 Rock & roll pioneer — Domino
- 5 "Yeah, r-i-i-ght ..."
- 6 Maker of WorkCentre printers
- 8 "Rule, Britannia!" composer
- 9 Loaves that may be seeded

1	2	3	4	
5				
				7
	8			
	9			

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Down

- 1 Predicament
- 2 "Fuzzy Wuzzy was —"

- 3 "Waiting to Exhale" author McMillan
- 4 Cold open?
- 7 Ballot markings



by Ryan A. Berenz

1. What speedy outfielder became the fifth Negro leagues player in the National Baseball Hall of Fame when he was inducted in 1974?
2. Who did "Terrible" Terry Norris defeat in a 1991 boxing match at New York City's Madison Square Garden to retain his WBC light middleweight title?
3. In 1895, William G. Morgan invented a sport he called "Mintonette." What is the sport known as today?
4. What NCAA men's basketball team had a record 32-game losing streak at home from 1988-91?

5. What now-demolished venue was home to the NBA's Dallas Mavericks (1980-2001) and the NHL's Dallas Stars (1993-2001)?
6. Patty Smyth, singer for the 1980s rock band Scandal, married what tennis legend in 1997?
7. What Oklahoma Sooners basketball star was selected No. 2 overall by the Indiana Pacers in the 1985 NBA Draft?

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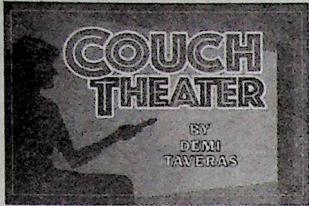
Micro Crossword Answer

S	E	R	
E	N	A	
X	O	R	X
	B	E	T
	S	F	A

WORD LADDER
Answer
CROPS, DROPS, PROPS, CROWS, CROWN, CROWS

SCRAMBLERS
solution
ATHLETIC
Today's Word
3. Denial; 4. Cheat; 1. Crease; 2. Debate

MORE SUN FUN



"Wonka" (PG) — The origin story of chocolatier Willy Wonkawas such a success at the box office that it became the eighth highest-grossing film of 2023. Starring Timothee Chalamet as the title character, the movie kicks off in a dreary 1934 Europe, where Willy arrives with a few coins in his pocket and an intention to establish his own chocolate shop. However, a grimy pair of locals hoodwink Willy into staying at their boarding house, tricking him into signing a contract that he wouldn't be able to pay off for years. Not to mention, the rival chocolatiers won't let him sell chocolate anywhere in the town. But even with all the odds stacked against him, the happy-go-lucky chocolatier is determined not to fail. Co-starring a great ensemble cast, including Calah Lane, Keegan-Michael Key, Sally Hawkins and Olivia Colman, "Wonka" is out now. (Max)

"Damself" (PG-13) — Millie Bobby Brown ("Stranger Things") leads this dark-fantasy film out now! Elodie (Brown) is a princess whose father has found a match for her in Prince Henry (Nick Robinson). Ever the dutiful daughter, Elodie agrees to marry Prince Henry, amid warnings from her stepmother, Lady Bayford (Angela Bassett), that she doesn't trust his family, especially his mother, Queen Isabelle (Robin Wright). Elodie quickly discovers this for herself after participating in a ceremony that leads to the prince himself chucking her into a cave with a dragon to repay an ancient debt. Stuck with nothing but the clothes on her back, Elodie must outwit the fearsome dragon to escape the cave in one piece. (Netflix)

"Miller's Girl" (R) — Martin Freeman

(*"Black Panther: Wakanda Forever"*) and Jenna Ortega (*"Wednesday"*) star opposite each other in this erotic thriller, produced by Seth Rogan. Ortega portrays Cairo Sweet, an 18-year-old Tennessee girl who lives alone in her family's mansion. Cairo begins taking the creative writing class of Jonathan Miller (Freeman), a semi-successful author who is impressed by Cairo's extensive knowledge of literature. Cairo's best friend, Winnie (Gideon Adlon), raves about the idea of a teacher-student affair and even convinces Cairo to seduce Miller. Cairo does attempt to entice Miller, but the repercussions that follow are quite dangerous. Out now to rent. (Prime Video)



Martin Freeman, left, and Jenna Ortega star in "Miller's Girl."

"Love Island: All Stars" (TV-MA) — You might've heard of the "Love Island" dating game show and its many versions around the world. But the U.K. series came back in a major way with a season featuring former contestants and fan favorites from previous seasons. The show follows its original format, with a handful of men and women who enter the "Love Island" villa for a few weeks and "couple up with" another contestant to win the prize money of 50,000 pounds. But you should expect some insane twists along the way, in true "Love Island" style. Notable contestants are footballer Tom Clare, Georgia Steel (*"Celebs on the Ranch"*), former Playboy Bunny Hannah Elizabeth and Chris Taylor (*"Barbie"*). The full season is out now! (Peacock)

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Contract Bridge

HEADS I WIN, TAILS YOU LOSE

North dealer.

Both sides vulnerable

NORTH

♠ K 7

♥ 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A Q J 9 8 7 4

WEST

♠ A 9 8 6 4

♥ K 5

♦ J 10 4

♣ K 6 2

EAST

♠ 5 2

♥ A 9 8 6 3 2

♦ Q 8 2

♣ 10

SOUTH

♠ Q J 10 3

♥ Q J 10

♦ K 7 6 5

♣ 5 3

The bidding:

North East South West

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass

3 ♠ Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — jack of diamonds.

It is surely right to formulate a plan at the start of play, but one should always stand ready to alter that plan as new circumstances develop.

Consider this deal where South won the opening diamond lead with the king and led a club at trick two, successfully finessing the jack. Then, imbued with the notion that dummy's clubs were his primary source of tricks, and lacking the entry to his hand to repeat the finesse, South continued with the ace, hoping the king would fall.

When the king did not appear,

South played a third round of clubs to establish the suit. West won and led a diamond to dummy's ace and the contract went down one. Declarer finished with six clubs and two diamonds, while the defenders scored two aces, two diamonds and a club.

South would have fared better had he not put all his hopes on West's holding the K-x of clubs and focused more on the possibility of West's holding the K-x-x. South could have covered both possibilities by playing dummy's king of spades at trick three, abandoning clubs temporarily. Had he done that, he would have finished with at least nine tricks.

If West took the ace of spades and returned a diamond, South could make 12 tricks by cashing his spades and repeating the club finesse. If West did not take the first spade, South could then revert to clubs to finish with nine tricks.

While it is granted that the king-of-spades play at trick three is not easy to think of — considering the magnetic attraction of dummy's clubs — there can be no denying that it is the right play.

Left undiscussed here is the possibility that a wily East holding the doubleton king of clubs might not have taken the king to lure South into taking a second club finesse — but that's a subject for a whole other column.

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by Steve Becker

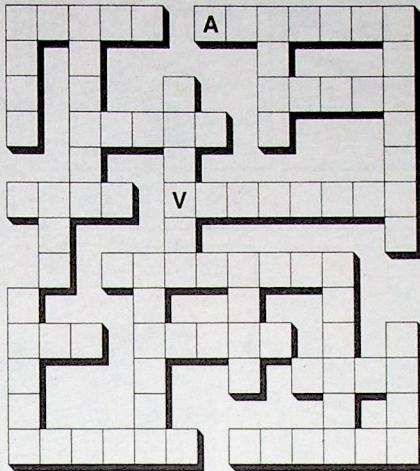
Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

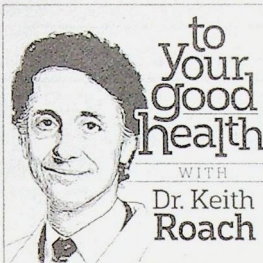
CRISSCROSS — MOST POPULAR GIRLS' NAMES OF 2023

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

3 Letters
UMA
4 Letters
AYLA
EDEN
EMMA
IRIS
LUCY
LUNA
5 Letters
ELENA
ITZEL
LAYLA
PIPER
SARAH
6 Letters
AUTUMN
EVELYN
GIANNA
HANNAH
OLIVIA
SOPHIA
7 Letters
ABIGAIL
LILLIAN
8 Letters
ISABELLA
VICTORIA



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Is It Necessary To Stop Viagra After a Stroke?

DEAR DR. ROACH: My husband had a small stroke last spring, causing a minor loss of vision in his left eye. He is 81 and an otherwise active man. He has even been told by several doctors that he can drive.

One doctor told him to stop using meclizine and Viagra. Another physician said that he didn't see a problem with taking the meds. Both physicians are very skilled. Whose advice should he follow? -- M.M.

ANSWER: A stroke is caused by the death of brain cells, most commonly due to poor blood flow in the brain, and it's critical to avoid any medication that will increase the risk of stroke. Meclizine is an antihistamine medicine most commonly used for motion sickness and sometimes used for vertigo. Although it has been reported to cause blurry vision, the risk of taking meclizine in a person with a history of a stroke is minimal.

The situation with Viagra is more complex. A rare side effect of Viagra is nonarteritic anterior ischemic optic neuropathy (NAION), affecting one in every 10,000 people over 50. A person with a history of NAION should not take Viagra.

There isn't good evidence that Viagra is dangerous for a person who had a stroke. One trial suggested that there was benefit in reducing the size of a stroke with Viagra. However, Viagra does lower blood pressure by a few points, so if your husband's blood pressure is on the borderline, this might be an issue.

I can't give you a definitive answer, but most authorities say that a man who is stable, has good blood pressure and is more than six months out from his stroke does need not stop Viagra.

DEAR DR. ROACH: At

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

Making Big Decisions

Sometimes we need to make tough decisions. We don't want to. We want to wake up and find the problem is resolved. But we can't do that, and we know it.

Sometimes we're faced with a serious life-changing situation such as acknowledging that we need to move a spouse or parent to a care facility because we just can't manage anymore.

Or perhaps one of our children needs our long-term help. The question becomes: Do we sell our current home? Do we rent it out in the hope we'll eventually move back?

Other times the situation isn't quite as grim but still requires a serious decision: We clearly need a new vehicle. But where will the money come from?

While my current situation isn't earthshaking (except maybe to me), it does require a very serious decision to be made. It is: Will I once again register to vote this year? While it might appear to be a no-brainer to many, it really isn't. During the last presidential election cycle, my life was consumed with harassing phone calls and people at my door all day, every day, day and night. This went on for a year.

The only peace (and uninterrupted sleep) I got was by unplugging the phone. If I answered the door, I was faced with pushy people insisting I make cash donations to their party and fill out requests for absentee ballots that they would (supposedly) deliver to the polls on voting day.

Worst, I think, were the get-out-the-vote workers who tried to insist on coming into my house to discuss the issues.

I hung in there until Election Day, stood in line to vote and then went directly to the town office and had them delete me from the voter rolls. I remain, for the first time in my adult life, not registered to vote.

It feels very wrong.

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1. Name the actor/singer who was born Arthur Andrew Kelin.
2. Which group topped the charts with "Nashville Cats"?
3. Name the album with all four Beatles holding umbrellas.
4. Randy & the Rainbows were best known for which song?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Aruba, Jamaica, ooh I wanna take ya, Bermuda, Bahama, come on, pretty mama, Key Largo, Montego, baby why don't we go, Jamaica."

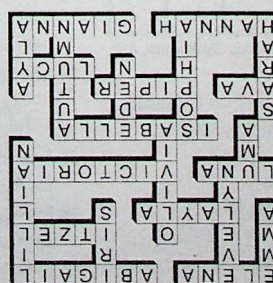
Answers

1. Tab Hunter. He released a half dozen songs but only one topped the chart: "Young Love," in 1957. He found greater success when he appeared in dozens of films and television shows over his long career.
2. The Lovin' Spoonful, in 1966. The group's name came from Mississippi John Hurt's "Coffee Blues."
3. "Beatles '65," released in 1964. Over the years there have been posters and T-shirts using that image. Originals can be worth quite a bit.
4. "Denise," in 1963.
5. "Kokomo," by the Beach Boys, in 1988. Even though the song topped the charts in the U.S. and other countries, it can't seem to get rid of the negative reviews coming from music critics. The only ones to like it have been the fans.

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Answer



St. Agatha Parish Youth Choir Sings At Choral Festival

And Mass At The Cathedral Of The Holy Cross

Fifteen singers from the St. Agatha Parish Youth Choir participated in the Pueri Cantores New England Youth Choral Festival and Mass on March 9.

Held at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston, the event brought together nearly 100 young singers from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Under the direction of Dr. Alfred Calabrese, the combined choir rehearsed liturgical chant as well as works by Bach, Fauré, and Mozart, and sang for the 4:30 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Robert P. Reed. In addition, the St. Agatha Youth Choir had the honor of performing an individual work in the prelude concert.

"It was a fantastic experience for our singers," said Julie Fay, St. Agatha's music director and organist.

"To be able to sing with so many others from around New England, and feel that camaraderie and experience the joy of a common musical language and purpose was a wonderful opportunity."

The prelude concert and Mass were broadcast on the Cathedral's YouTube channel, and can be viewed at <https://tinyurl.com/38ampt7s>. Quincy residents Gabriel Alamo, Amalia Belo and Annie Pitts participated in the festival. All three attend St. Agatha School.

The St. Agatha Parish Youth Choir is made up of singers in grades 3 and older from area public and Catholic schools. The Youth Choir sings for the parish's 9:30 a.m. Mass most Sundays of the school year. For more information about the St. Agatha Parish Youth Choir,



FIFTEEN SINGERS from the St. Agatha Parish Youth Choir participated in the Pueri Cantores New England Youth Choral Festival and Mass on March 9. Shown here is the Pueri Cantores New England Youth Choral Festival combined choir with Bishop Robert P. Reed, Mass Celebrant; Dr. Alfred Calabrese, Conductor and Mr. Richard J. Clark, Archdiocesan and Cathedral Music Director and Organist at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross.

contact music director Julie Fay at musicdirector@st-agathaparish.org.

Pueri Cantores is the international student choral organization of the Roman Catholic Church. For more information, visit pechoirs.org.

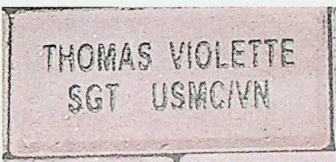


ST. AGATHA PARISH Youth Choir, Julie Fay, director; Quincy residents Annie Pitts and Gabriel Gotera are in the front row, third and fourth from left; Quincy resident Amalia Belo is in the back row, fifth from left. The youth choir participated in the Pueri Cantores New England Youth Choral Festival and Mass on March 9 at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. *Courtesy Photos*



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Bricks for Veterans Program



Honor, Memorial Bricks Available For Purchase

The Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 294, Morristown American Legion Post in Quincy has resumed selling engraved honor and memorial bricks for its "Bricks for Veterans" at Flags for Veterans Island, Fort Square, Quincy.

Bricks are available for \$50 each. The bricks can be inscribed with a veteran's name, rank and branch of service. Two sample bricks appear above.

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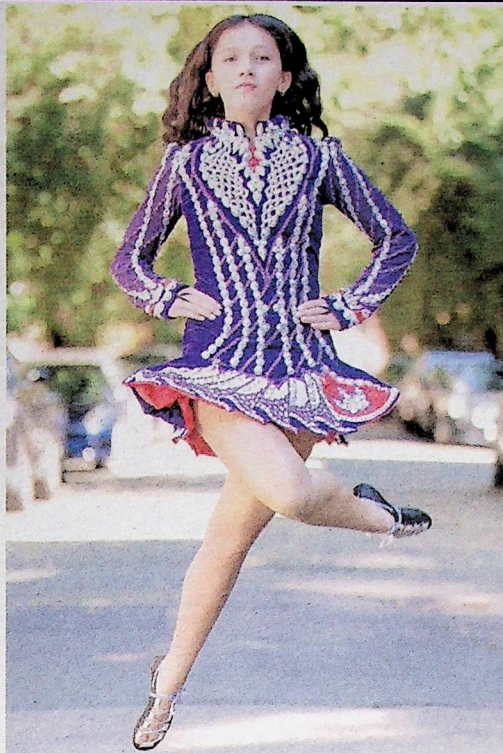
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QUINCY SISTERS Niamh Barrios (left), age 18, and Isabel Barrios (above), age 16, both students at North Quincy High School, will compete in the Irish Dance World Championships in Scotland later this month. Photo at right: Niamh (left) and Isabel (right) won second and fifth place respectively at the New England Regional Oireachtas in Hartford, CT. Outdoor photos courtesy Lee Simpson Dance Photography/Back Bay.



Courtesy Photo

Quincy Sisters To Compete At Irish Dance World Championships

Two sisters from Quincy have qualified for the Irish Dance World Championships 2024 and will be competing in Glasgow, Scotland, at the end of this month.

The pair of talented

dancers are Niamh Barrios, age 18, and her 16-year-old sister, Isabel Barrios. Niamh is a senior at North Quincy High School and Isabel is a sophomore at NQHS. They are the daughters of Claire

Barrios and Jorge Barrios.

Niamh and Isabel dance for the Clann Lir Academy in Hingham and Middletown, R.I.

This will be Niamh's third World Champion-

ships. She placed second at the New England Regional Championships this past November in the under 18 age category and 13th at the North American National

Championships in Nashville this past July. She qualified for the World Championships at both of these competitions.

This will be Isabel's sec-

ond World Championships. She placed fifth at the New England Regional Championships in the under 15 age category and qualified for the World Championships.

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Mayor Thomas P. Koch and Family

